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Cabinet may accept Kissinger proposal on PoWs in Syria

By DAVID LANDAU, Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent

The Cabinet is expected today to give its approval, in part at least, o U.S. Secretary Henry Kissinger's efforts to bring about preliminary talks on Israel-Syria disengagement. The Cabinet is to consider roposals which the Secretary brought to Israel from Damascus last eek.

Dr. Kissinger is understood to ave raised with Syria and Israel e possibility of an agreed "middleman" — possibly the Red Cross — ceiving from Syria the list of rael PoWs.

Israel has said it would refuse hold any negotiations with Syria til this list was furnished and until yria allowed the Red Cross to visit e PoWs regularly, as the Geneva onvention stipulates.

The middleman arrangement could once satisfy this Israeli demand d overcome Syria's reluctance to mply with it.

Observers here predicted that the binet would approve the idea principle — or at any rate not ject it out of hand.

These observers believe that some rogress with Syria — preliminary actual disengagement talks — ill be achieved during the coming eeks. Dr. Kissinger himself has dicated that he is continuing his forts, in Washington, to move the arties towards some preliminary greement.

Well-placed sources in Jerusalem say Israel's offer to make over to the UNEF the two Syrian positions on the Hermon taken in the war, and to allow some 15,000 villagers who fled in the war to return to the newly-occupied Syrian territory, still stands and is at the centre of Dr. Kissinger's efforts. In return for these concessions, Israel demands a full exchange of prisoners. But there can be no discussion of this offer until a preliminary agreement is reached on the PoW list and regular, guaranteed Red Cross visits to the PoWs.

PAVE WAY

An agreement such as this could ave the way to substantive talks disengagement, these sources say, st as the implementation by Israel d Egypt of five of the Six Points greed upon on November 11 reulted in productive talks on the xth point — disengagement of rces. As with Egypt so too with yria a bout of Dr. Kissinger's perinal diplomacy would probably be eeded to bring about an actual disngagement accord. But the Secretry would only contemplate another sit to the region once a preliminry arrangement had been made hich removed the PoW problem.

Dr. Kissinger is known to think at a substantive disengagement acord should involve Israel's withawal to the "Iliac line" — the line eld between 1967 and 1973. Syria ould agree to a reduction of forces its side of the line, with UNEF terposed in the vacated area.

Sources here say that there is far ss external pressure and urgency the Syrian disengagement issue an there was before and during e negotiations with Egypt.

From a military viewpoint, too, rael is much better placed in yria than it was across the Suez anal and there is no particular rategic advantage to be gained om disengagement.

The PoW issue, however, creates a sense of urgency and concern in Jerusalem — hence the obduracy which Syria is showing in exploiting the PoW question to gain maximal advantages. The pressure would be reduced to some extent if a preliminary arrangement were reached and Israel obtained the PoW list and was assured of Red Cross visits to them.

While hopeful that both a preliminary arrangement and an eventual disengagement accord can be reached, observers here stress the obstacles posed by Syria's internal and inter-Arab difficulties. Within the Syrian Ba'ath, in the Iraqi Ba'ath and among the hard-line Arab regimes such as Libya there is a good deal of suspicion over the Israel-Egypt disengagement accord and much wariness over possible Israel-Syria accomodations.

U.S.-SYRIA

Progress towards negotiations between Israel and Syria would probably lead to resumed diplomatic relations between Washington and Damascus. The London "Daily Telegraph" reported from Damascus yesterday that the resumption was "expected shortly."

The paper interpreted as "a good omen" the silence maintained by the Syrian government on the possibility of opening negotiations with Israel. "But obviously," it continued, President Assad will have to perform a delicate balancing act to obtain terms permitting Syria to take part in the Geneva conference, and this may turn on Israel's willingness to allow Syrian peasants to return to their homes in the war zone."

From Geneva, there were reports yesterday citing American diplomatic sources to the effect that nothing is expected to happen there until the Israel-Egypt disengagement is completed in early March. Observers in Jerusalem confirm this prediction. They assume that Israeli and Egyptian teams will return to Geneva in March to begin negotiating, in "working groups," the various aspects of an overall peace.

EGYPT

A key question is how far Egypt could go in these talks if there were no progress with Syria and/or with Jordan. To what extent is President Sadat influenced by the Arab hard-liners? Does he feel he has a commitment from the U.S. to tide him over, financially and politically, if he must weather a lean period in his relations with the oil states? Will he talk peace with Israel even if the Palestinians and/or the Syrians refuse to do so? These are unknowns which the coming weeks and months will answer.

Observers here discount a prediction in Lebanon's "An-Nahar" newspaper yesterday that disengagement with Jordan might precede disengagement with Syria. Although the idea of disengagement talks with Jordan, first mooted by Jordan itself at the Geneva conference opening, met with positive responses from Israeli ministers, observers here feel little will come of it in the forseeable future. They say there is no pressure from the U.S. to embark upon such talks with Jordan, though Washington is aware of Jordan's fear of being "left out" and would like some kind of token movement on the Israel-Jordan front too.

MOVING OUT. — Piled up on two trucks and a half-track are bed frames, mattresses, benches and kitchen equipment as this unit prepared to move out of Adabiya this weekend. (Rubinger photo)

Israel forces stream back across Canal

Jerusalem Post Staff

Huge convoys of trucks and armoured vehicles, carrying troops, weapons and equipment kept on streaming east over the weekend across the Suez Canal bridges, as Israel forces began the first phase of military disengagement with Egypt on Friday at noon.

The first stage of the troop pullback is to be completed tomorrow at noon, when Israeli forces will have totally evacuated the area south of Suez city, including Adabiya port and Jebel Ataka and will hand over control of the Suez-Cairo road to UNEF troops. By tomorrow noon, Egypt is also to thin out part of its Second Army units on the east bank of the Canal's northern sector, moving them to the west bank of the waterway.

A UNEF Finnish batallion of some 600 men, bolstered by 300 Swedes and Indonesians, is to set up a temporary buffer zone in the areas on the west bank of the canal vacated by Israeli forces. After a "buffer time" of six hours, the UNEF troops will hand over these areas to the Egyptians. A U.N. spokesman said yesterday the "buffer time" could be more than six hours, but not less.

As the disengagement of Israeli and Egyptian troops continued, UNEF commander General Ensio Siilasvuo travelled to Suez City yesterday to brief Finnish officers watching over the troop separation.

UNEF officers were the only outside observers to witness the Israeli troop withdrawal from the west bank of the canal, as both Israel and Egyptian authorities barred newsmen from both sides from the area. All news agencies stressed that it was Defence Minister Moshe Dayan's personal decision to impose a news blackout on the first phase of the disengagement.

A UNEF officer, Colonel T. Kuosa, yesterday established a forward UNEF headquarters five kilometres west of Suez city, where he is to be joined tomorrow by an Israeli and an Egyptian officer to coordinate troop separation moves.

Israeli units were already seen redeploying and digging in along the new Israel defence line, west of the Mitle and Gidi passes, along the Baluza-Tassa-Ras Masala line to its southern end near the Gulf of Suez. A senior UNEF officer said yesterday Israeli units were following scrupulously the Israel Chief-of-Staff's order not to damage any civilian installation and not to touch the concrete anti-aircraft missile launching sites.

Israel's withdrawal from the southern sector of its present lines on the west bank of the Canal will lift the three-month-long siege of the 20,000 men of Egypt's Third Army, marooned on the east bank of the waterway, and of the some 15,000 citizens in the town of Suez. The Suez-Cairo road is to open for civilian traffic by Tuesday morning.

"The last force that will evacuate is in effect the southern 'plug' of our encirclement of the Third Army near the port of Adabiya, some 15 kilometres south of Suez city," an Israel operations officer told Israel radio yesterday. "We are holding this spot opposite a sizable Egyptian force that was capable and could have connected up with the Third Army. When we pull out Monday morning the encirclement of the Third Army will be removed."

SABBATH SLOWDOWN

Removal of troops and equipment slowed down somewhat yesterday, because of the Sabbath, but the pace picked up again last night to meet Monday's deadline. Scores of soldiers from the northern sector of the west bank bulge were seen touring south, equipped with cameras, to have a last look of this part of Africa. An Israel officer told the radio yesterday that the sight of huge bonfires all over, with soldiers burning documents, private letters and anything else that could be of interest for the Egyptians, reminded him of the Lag Ba'Omer feast.

There was also the continuous sound of heavy explosions, as Israeli army engineers and sappers blew up military equipment that cannot be moved across the Canal. Despite strenuous efforts, a good part of the some 800,000 mines that were laid all over the west bank lines may have to be left behind for lack of time to dismantle them all.

Israel navy vessels also continued hauling equipment south, down the Gulf of Suez to Sharm e-Sheikh and Eilat.

SADAT ANXIOUS FOR EASING OF OIL EMBARGO

Feisal is key to future moves

By ANAN SAFADI
Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter

The political focus in the Middle East shifted to Saudi Arabia over the weekend as the disengagement of forces got under way on the west bank of the Suez Canal.

The immediate question appears to be whether Saudia will lift the oil embargo imposed on the West at the height of the October war. If King Feisal agrees to renew normal oil exports, both U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger and Egyptian President Anwar Sadat will be able to claim diplomatic success. Kissinger will be able to argue that he helped restore oil supplies to the West by initiating the disengagement agreement, and Sadat will be in a position to say that his decision to negotiate with Israel has been accepted by Feisal, one of the major figures in the Arab world.

The Saudi Arabian stand on the oil embargo is bound to have an immediate affect on the oil-producing Arab states in the Persian Gulf.

So far neither Saudi Arabia nor any of the other Arab oil-producers appear to have acceded to Sadat's request that they ease the oil embargo, especially to the U.S. which, the Egyptian President has declared, has "changed its Middle East policy" in favour of the Arabs. If these states turn a dead ear to Sadat's appeal, Egypt might well become isolated — at least for a time — because of the disengagement agreement.

Saudi Arabia and other Arab oil-producing countries seem to be adopting a cautious attitude on the embargo pending a settlement on the Syrian front. Until recently, however, the oil-producing countries linked the lifting of oil restrictions to an Israeli undertaking to withdraw to the 1967 frontiers.

Libya over the weekend not only rejected Sadat's appeal, but demanded the suspension of Arab financial subsidies to Egypt in protest against the disengagement agreement.

The Libyan state radio charged that Cairo had violated the principles of the 1967 Khartoum summit conference at which Libya, Saudi Arabia and Kuwait undertook to provide Egypt, Syria and Jordan with financial aid on condition that there were no negotiations with Israel.

The Libyan call to suspend assistance to Egypt came after a surprise series of consultations between the Libyan and Saudi Arabian governments.

The Beirut newspaper "An Nahar" called on Saudi Arabia over the week-end to state its attitude. It said that Sadat was depending on Saudi Arabia in his latest political moves.

Meanwhile, the Egyptians yesterday presented the disengagement agreement as the climax of Egypt's "achievements" as a result of the October war. Referring to the Israeli disengagement moves, Egyptian state radio said that the disengagement agreement has "washed the Arabs of the mud of defeat" suffered in 1967.

LABOUR FIRM ON NRP DEMANDS

By MARK SEGAL
Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Labour Party leadership is inclined to form a narrow coalition government rather than call new elections, according to authoritative party sources.

They indicated that the question was discussed at an informal meeting of the party leadership at the Jerusalem residence of Premier Golda Meir on Friday afternoon. The meeting, presided over by Mrs. Meir, lasted about four hours.

Labour Party Secretary-General Aharon Yadlin reported to his colleagues on the latest coalition discussions with the NRP and the ILP-Aloni bloc held in his office at party headquarters in Tel Aviv that morning. Mr. Yadlin told the Jerusalem meeting of the difficulties caused by the hard line of the National Religious Party on the "Who is a Jew?" issue, which is being equally strongly opposed by the ILP-Aloni bloc.

It is understood that Premier Meir led those who would prefer new elections to a narrow coalition in which the Labour Alignment would be held to ransom by one or other of the smaller parties. Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir reportedly inclined towards Mrs. Meir's view, but finally concurred with those who believed that the diplomatic situation warranted the early formation of a government, even a narrow-based one.

None of the participants entertained for a moment the formation of a broad national coalition with the Likud.

What served to persuade some participants against new elections, it was reported later, was the knowledge of a party-commissioned public opinion poll which did not indicate any improvement in the Labour Alignment's position if there were a vote in the near future.

As a result of Friday's meeting, the Alignment will now concentrate on seeking to find a formula for the "Who is a Jew?" issue that could satisfy both the NRP and the ILP-Aloni bloc.

If the NRP makes such an agree-

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Dayan backs army command after bitter attack by Sharon

Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Defence Minister Moshe Dayan last night reiterated his full confidence in the senior army command and stressed his faith in the high calibre of Israel's army commanders.

Mr. Dayan's comments were made in a statement released by the Defence Ministry Spokesman in response to harsh criticism of the army command levelled by Aluf (Res.) Ariel Sharon, M.K., in interviews published in "Ma'ariv" and "Yediot Aharonot" on Friday.

Mr. Sharon called for the dismissal of the Chief of Staff, Rav-Aluf David Elazar, charging him with the principal guilt for "the army's failings."

Mr. Sharon charged that he was a victim of political intrigues in the army which, he said, began when the present Minister of Commerce and Industry, Haim Bar-Lev, took over from Yitzhak Rabin as Chief of Staff. These intrigues had intensified since Elazar succeeded Bar-Lev.

Sharon claimed that promotions in the army now hinged on political considerations, and said he was prevented from becoming Chief of Staff for this reason.

Sharon said that when Rabin was C-o-S he did not allow political interference in the army. "Bar-Lev introduced factional appointments, and promoted his men. This system led talented commanders to walk out and thus Aluf Tal left his post in 1969. It was then that a particular wing of the Labour Party reasserted its control over the army's appointments. It was then that men got ahead not because of their talents but by political kowtowing.

"With Rabin it would never have happened. Bar-Lev and his successor... wanted little men around them, for whom they symbolized real authority."

Sharon charged that this was the direct cause of the disarray along the Suez Front when the war broke out.

He said that since Rabin left "a terrible thing happened and the IDF has ceased to be a brilliant army... The Defence Minister concurs with me that the army needs shaking up, as does our military thinking... We have lost our main weapon — the unique thinking of the I.D.F., which made it one of the best armies in the world, and not quantities of weapons and armour."

Asked if he had been offered the chance of staying in the army now and becoming O.C. Southern Command, would he have been prepared to give up politics, Sharon said that he would have done so. But "they did the very opposite: they got rid of me and cancelled my emergency appointment as division commander because of nepotism."

Sharon said Dayan had told him that although he thought he should be Chief of Staff, the Alignment, as the dominant force in the Government, would never allow it because of his political views.

After mentioning that his relationship with Dayan "was rather complicated right now" and that they were now no longer as close as in the past, Sharon expressed the view that Dayan should remain Defence Minister in the next Government. "He is a very brave man and an original thinker. He is certainly not to blame for the army's failings. But it's high time he changed his ways and started imposing his views on the Chief of Staff."

Sharon saw no need for an inquiry into the war's conduct, believing that the army command's guilt was clear.

He recalled gratefully that Dayan used to visit the Southern Front lines day after day — "he was the only man above the rank of division commander who came to that hell day after day during the most critical days. After the terrible fighting ended — the others began to appear. Sure, then all of them appeared. But during the battles — only he came, because I think he is a very brave man."

Sharon thought Dayan's main failure was in giving too much leeway to the Chief of Staff and not using his ministerial power to interfere.

As to where the fault lay for the losses in the Yom Kippur war, Sharon expressed anger that aspersions were now being cast on the late Aluf Albert Mendler (killed in the war). He said that on October 7, Mandler, who was O.C. Armoured Corps in Sinai, told him that he had received an order from above not to spread out his forces.

Sharon said Elazar was to blame because he did not bother to acquaint himself with the Southern Front, having been intimately involved in the Northern Front, where he had been O.C. previously.

Sharon claimed that the Army Command did not properly use the combined force of his division and that of "Bren" (Aluf Avraham Adan) which could have dislodged the Second Army from the Canal's East Bank.

He charged that the authorities failed to take the time factor into account. "I had a talk with Yigal Allon on the day before the cease-fire agreement on October 21. I warned Allon that we would not have time to complete our mission. With a tremendous show of self-confidence he declared "I, as the one in charge of this subject in the Cabinet, can tell you that there in no problem of the time factor..."

Sharon claimed that political officers from the Labour Party were installed in the Southern Command during the war. "It reminded me of

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3 hurt by Syrian fire

Jerusalem Post Military Reporter

Three Israeli soldiers were wounded during three hours of intermittent Syrian artillery barrages in the central and southern sectors of the Golan Heights that began at one o'clock yesterday afternoon. Israel artillery returned fire, the army spokesman said.

The incidents occurred at three points on the Syrian front — the Kafr Nassej area, Kafr Ma'as, and the area south of the Rafid junction. They were the first exchanges of fire since January 18, when Israel and Egypt signed the disengagement agreement.

News agencies in Damascus quote a Syrian army spokesman as stating that Syrian artillery opened fire at Israeli units yesterday to prevent them from carrying out engineering work in the central and southern sectors of the front.

White House denies Nixon to visit M.E.

WASHINGTON (UPI). — A White House spokesman yesterday denied reports President Nixon was considering a trip to the Middle East this spring.

White House Deputy Press Secretary Gerald L. Warren said, "the President has no such plans."

Cairo's "Al Ahram" newspaper, in a front-page report from its Washington correspondent, said Nixon was contemplating a tour and it was likely to take place next April. The correspondent quoted informed sources in Washington.

He said Nixon was considering visiting some of the countries that Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger visited recently. Kissinger visited Egypt, Israel, Jordan and Syria.

Hussein to Rumania

AMMAN (UPI). — King Hussein will visit Rumania toward the end of this month for talks with President Nicolae Ceacescu, the royal court announced yesterday. The statement did not specify how long Hussein's visit will last.

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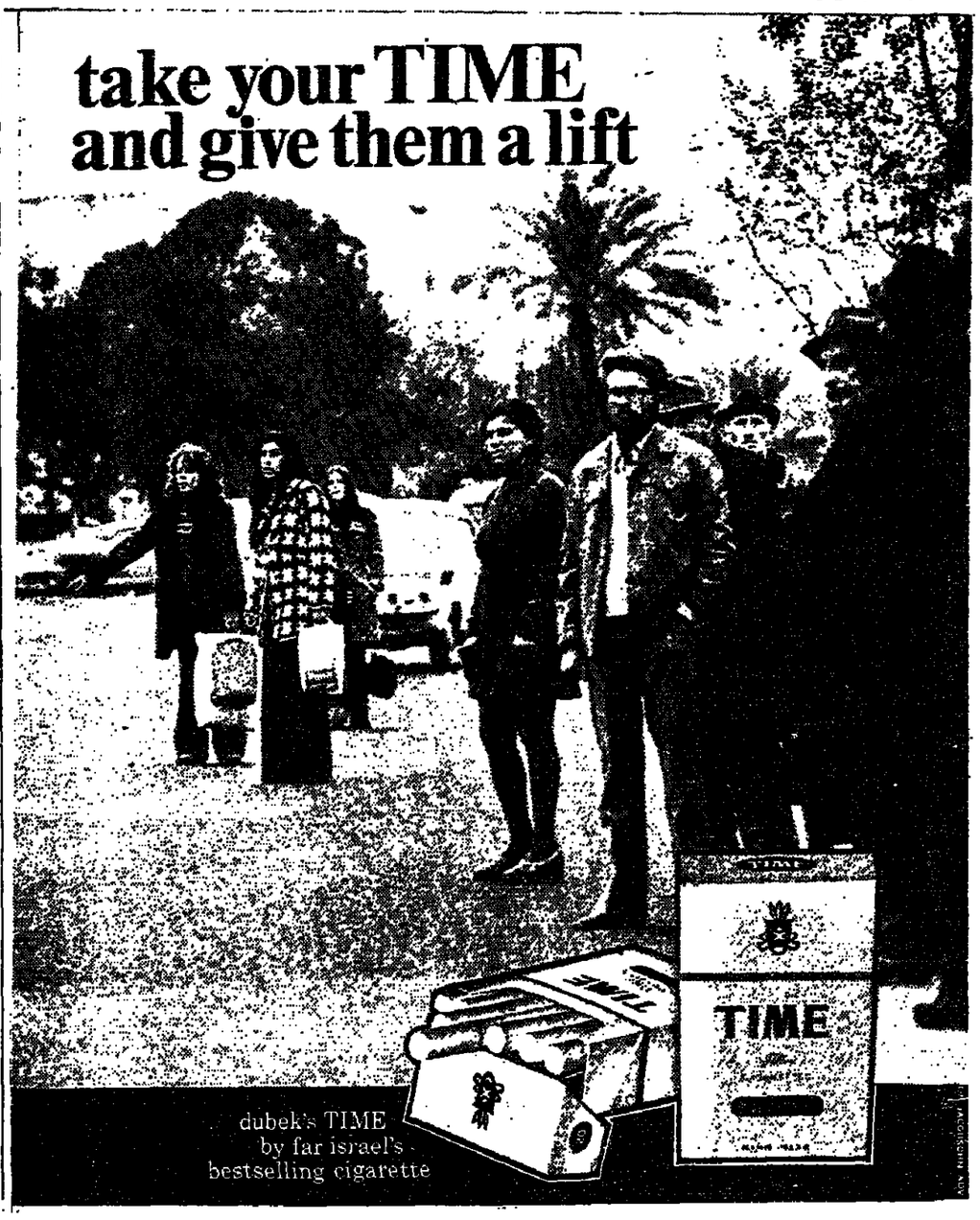

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Safad	74	6—6	2—4
Haifa Port	54	10—14	8—11
Tiberias	75	8—14	6—11
Afula	65	6—12	7—10
Shomron	55	7—9	4—7
Tel Aviv	64	9—14	6—12
Lod Airport	61	7—14	7—11
Jericho	64	8—14	8—12
Gaza	84	8—14	8—12
Beersheba	66	5—12	7—10
Eilat	58	11—14	9—14
Tiran Straits	51	11—18	9—16

Social and Personal

Ole Esperesen, Member of the Danish Parliament and chairman of his country's broadcasting authority, was the guest of the Danish Ambassador and Mrs. Sven Ebbesen in their Herzliya home. Other guests included Attorney-General Meir Shamgar and Esther Herlitz, MK, former Ambassador to Denmark.

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The National Union of Journalists on Friday elected Mr. Dan Patir of "Davar" as chairman. He has hitherto been chairman of the Tel Aviv Journalists Association.

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The National Academy of Sciences and Humanities announces a guest lecture (in French) by Prof. R. Brandwajn on aspects méconnus de l'oeuvre de Molière, Wednesday 30.1.74, at 6.15 at the Academy, 43 Rehov Jabotinsky, Talbieh, Jerusalem.

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Fashionable Furs, 1974 styles — of course at Rosen's Fur Salon, 72 Allenby Rd., Tel Aviv, Tel. 615990.
(Advt.)

ARRIVALS

Max Fisher, chairman of the Jewish Agency Board of Governors; Edward Ginsberg, chairman of JDC/Malben; Morris Levinson, national chairman of the United Jewish Appeal; and Irving Bernstein, executive vice-chairman of the U.J.A., and Kalman Sultanik, for the Jewish Agency Board of Governors meeting in Jerusalem this week.

Hubert Halin, secretary-general of the Organization of Anti-Nazi Resistance Fighters, leading a three-man delegation from Holland, France and Belgium for a visit as guests of the Organization of Partisans and Fighters in Israel.

Haifa Chief Rabbi Masas dies at 83

HAIFA. — Rabbi Yosef Masas, Chief Rabbi of Haifa for the last seven years, was laid to rest here at Hof Ha-Carmel Cemetery on Friday, a few hours after his death, at the age of 83. The funeral was attended by Chief Rabbis Ovadia Yosef and Shlomo Goren, Mayor Yeruham Zeisel, and other leading citizens.

After serving as a *rosh yeshiva* for many years in Morocco, Rabbi Masas immigrated to Israel in 1964. He was appointed Chief Rabbi of Haifa's Sephardi community three years later. He entered Rambam Hospital here on Thursday. *(Itim)*

Rabbi Nesher, 52

KFAR SABA. — Rabbi and religious court judge Yitzhak Nesher (Adler) died here last night after a short illness, aged 52. The cortege will leave at noon today from the rabbi's home at 19 Rehov Reines in Tel Aviv for the Gvurat Yisrael synagogue, which he headed. It will then proceed to Jerusalem for burial in the Sanhedria Cemetery.

Rabbi Nesher, an outstanding graduate of Jerusalem's Hebron Yeshiva, served in the rabbinate for 32 years. He is survived by his wife Hassida, son Rabbi Benzion Nesher of Jerusalem, and young son Yanun, a student at the Petah Tikva Yeshiva. *(Itim)*

94 ITALIAN airlines and travel agency employees flew in on Friday for a one-day tour of Jerusalem "to show their solidarity and identification with the people of Israel." They left quantities of balaclava helmets, scarves and gloves to be presented to Israel soldiers.

Seamen to strike over passenger fleet today

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The seamen are due to start their strike to protest the abolition of the passenger fleet at six this morning.

The seamen's union decided on Friday to prevent the sailing of all Israeli freighters from home ports for three days. In addition they will hold up the sailing of all oil tankers for 24 hours, except on the Abu Rodeis-Eilat run, which will be exempted.

The union spokesman said on Friday that the strike was aimed at impressing the government with the "gravity" of its decision to abolish the passenger fleet. If the three-day warning strike did not result in a "positive change," the union would reconsider the situation with a view to taking further action.

There are now about 20 Israeli freighters, including three tankers, in the country's three ports.

The Post learned that the union does not expect to be able to force the government to change its decision. But it does hope by the strike to obtain favourable conditions for the crew members of the two ships. They are aiming to be signed on again by the Zim Company, which they left with more than the usual severance pay five years ago when the passenger line was established, and to be employed on the company's short runs to Europe. Those who do not get berths want, once again, higher severance pay.

It was learned that the union leaders were under pressure from the men to call the strike.

The officers' union, which does not object to the abolition of the passenger fleet, has only registered its protest against not having been consulted. The officers, however, will prevent the sailing of the two passenger ships, Dan and Nili, when they are sold, to back their demand that the government use the subsidy moneys it will save on the suspension of the passenger operation to finance an early retirement scheme, advanced studies grants and other activities of the officers' union. They are also making the "release" of the two ships conditional on jobs for all their crew members.

A spokesman for the shipping companies which will suffer from the strike said the seamen were involving them in a matter that must be solved between the union and the government, and did not relate to them at all.

A new policy that is claimed as a turning point in the activities of the Israel merchant marine was announced by Transport Minister Shimon Peres at a Tel Aviv symposium on Thursday.

Under the plan, shipping companies will enlarge their fleets for the *export of citrus*, and will cooperate with shipyards in building vessels of larger tonnage. The Minister will ensure that the merchant marine gets the same encouragement as that given to other commercial enterprises in Israel and urged Israel shippers abroad to concentrate their *activities in Israel.*

French journalists hit ban on Rouleau

By JACK MAURICE
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS. — France's Socialist Party and the National Journalists Union yesterday protested against the Saudi Arabian refusal to grant a visa to French Jewish journalist Eric Rouleau in order to accompany Foreign Minister Michel Jobert on his current Middle East tour.

Socialist Party spokesman Claude Estier said he was astonished that the Foreign Ministry had not intervened in the affair while the Journalists Union said the Saudi refusal, "based on a racist pretext," was an attack on the liberty of the press.

The Foreign Ministry on Friday night put out a related communique on the affair, which "Le Monde" said yesterday was as comical as it was confused.

The Quai d'Orsay communique said the refusal to grant the visa was not linked to the infamous certificate of baptism issue, and hinted that other Jewish journalists had gone along on the trip.

"Le Monde" commented that the Foreign Ministry had advised Jewish newsmen to deny they were Jewish when putting in their visa request.

Busy day at Haifa port

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Haifa port worked all day yesterday, with 21 gangs of stevedores employed, the biggest number yet this season. There was no rain, and the men were able to work without interruption.

It will be recalled that the previous Saturday the men refused to work, because of a dispute with the management. The management had announced that it would pay the three men who run the dining corners and hot showers on Saturdays only for the two hours they actually work. For the past 20 years, the men had been paid a full day's work for the job.

Yesterday, the problem was overcome by a face-saving gimmick. The three men were given full pay but "as so many gangs were on the site," they were "kept busy," *the port spokesman said.*

Military reporters blast information policy

The Army Spokesman's office is passing through a deep crisis. This is the view of two well-known military correspondents, Ze'ev Schiff of "Ha'aretz" and Eytan Haber of "Yediot Aharonot" who commented in the radio's weekly Newsreel yesterday on last week's appointment of Tat-Aluf Ephraim Poran as Spokesman in place of Tat-Aluf Pinhas Lahav. (At the same time, Aluf Aharon Avnon, who had been appointed two months earlier as Head of Information, stepped down from this post, which has not been refilled.)

The two correspondents also advocated a thorough overhaul of the censorship procedures.

They said the new appointment and resignation were evidence of the crisis, of an absence of policy. The war had highlighted the need for major changes in the entire information process — but these appointments and reappointments were merely patchwork efforts intended to gain time while the war wounds healed and everything was forgotten.

They claimed that, since the war, the military newsmen's job had become incomparably harder with deliberate obstacles being put in their way. They were forbidden to meet with and interview people in the armed forces.

They attributed these restrictions to orders from the Minister of Defence, but added that the basic fault was a lack of clear policy.

There was no need to hide things from the public, they said. The public was mature enough to know the truth and judge things on their merits: Why must Israel citizens learn about the terms of the disengagement agreement from Cairo's "Al Ahram"?

They charged that the recently formed "information task teams" within the army in effect censored everything the correspondents wrote about military affairs and often disqualified stories.

Both men recommended that the Army Spokesman, or at least his assistant, should be a man qualified in journalism and public relations, and that he should determine for himself clear policy lines. *(Itim)*

Newsprint up IL200 a ton

TEL AVIV. — The energy crisis will push up the cost of newsprint in Israel by more than IL200 a ton — approximately 10 per cent — starting next month. This was reported here over the weekend by H. Nahshon, representative of Swedish paper makers who supply more than half the country's newspaper needs.

Mr. Nahshon said the higher cost of fuel had caused the paper manufacturers to raise the prices agreed *to at the end of last year.* With the higher cost of transport, the total rise should exceed IL200 per ton, he added. *(Itim)*

Sapir to present budget thoughts

Jerusalem Post Economic Reporter

Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir is today to present *to the Cabinet* "initial thoughts on how the budget for 1974/75 ought to look," official sources say. They explain that these are not budget estimates, nor have there even been formal consultations with the ministries or government institutions about their proposed expenditure — since the present government is still an interim administration.

Informed circles predict that the budget will not be smaller than this year's outlay, and will top IL30,000m. The defence budget (including the foreign currency component, financed largely by U.S. aid) will be unchanged, amounting to half of this sum, or over IL15,000m.

Tomorrow Sapir will table his supplementary budget for the current year, of IL10,000m., a 50 per cent increase on the originally scheduled pre-war estimates of IL20,000m.

Sharon

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stories of how they conducted the Civil War in Spain. I was not prepared to tolerate that while we held discussions in the Command HQ at the heights of the fighting — with the lives of hundreds of men in the balance — such giants of military strategy as Haim Hefer (ex-Palmah poet and songwriter) should sit at the commander's right, and that other military genius, Yehuda Ilian (ex-Palmah political officer) should be at his left, with Alignment spokesman Yoram Peri opposite. So Haim Bar-Lev explained that the poet (Hefer) came there by chance. That is a downright lie. It was no coincidence. He was called down to serve as a politruk (political officer)."

Mr. Dayan, responding to Sharon's charges, said in the statement issued by his spokesman last night: "Mr. Dayan wishes to repeat what he told the daily newspaper editors committee on December 26 (at Beit Sokolow)... Concerning the commanders who served in the army at the time, I found it necessary not to punish anyone but only to replace one senior officer — the O.C. Southern Command.

"If I should now have to reexamine anew the Chief of Staff, the Chief of Army Operations, the Intelligence, and commanders of the fronts, the divisions and the brigades, I would not change them. I visualise such talented division commanders as Dan (Aluf Laner) 'Raful' (Aluf Yitzhak Eitan), 'Bren' (Aluf Avraham Adan), Arik (Aluf Sharon), Kalman (Aluf Kalman Magen) and their brigade commanders all guilty for the so-called failings. To my mind they are all first-class commanders."

Dayan continued: "The I.D.F. is a good army and it has good commanders. I knew all the past Chiefs of Staff and the future candidates, and I would not make one transfer." As to strictures over operational moves during the war, the Defence Minister said it was hardly *right for him to air his opinions* while the Agranat inquiry commission was still at work.

The issue of the Sharon interviews will shortly be brought before the Knesset. It was learnt yesterday that Mr. Yosef Sarid, M.K. (Labour-Alignment), is submitting a series of questions to the Minister of Defence asking whether as Dayan did indeed concur with Sharon that the I.D.F. had lost its unique quality of original thinking, and whether he told Sharon that the Alignment would stop Sharon becoming Chief of Staff.

He would also ask whether there was any substance in Sharon's charges that army promotion hinged on political affiliations, and if that were true what the Minister intended doing about it.

BEGIN ASKS WHAT'S NEXT

Likud leader Menahem Begin asked over the weekend whether U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger had promised the Egyptians further Israeli withdrawals after the present one is completed.

Mr. Begin, who was speaking to the B'nai B'rith lodge here on Friday, said he will ask Prime Minister Meir to answer the question in the Knesset this week. He said Dr. Kissinger must be made to realize that Israel is surrounded by enemies who wish to destroy it.

The opposition leader said 1974 would see an attempt to push Israel back to the June 4, 1967 lines. Such a withdrawal would put Israel's big cities within the range of the enemy's modern new artillery.

Declaring that the majority of the population opposes such a withdrawal, he called for setting up a national unity government in order to prevent it. *(Itim)*

Egyptian and Israel officers meet at Km. 101 to discuss arrangements for the retrieval of the bodies of Israel soldiers from Egyptian-held areas. At far left, Egyptian Brig. Gen. Adly Sharif, with a Red Cross official, and at far right, Aluf Herzl Shafir, O.C. Manpower. (Rubinger)

12 bodies retrieved from area held by 2nd Army

SINAI. — The bodies of 12 missing Israel soldiers have been picked up so far in the area held by the Egyptian Second Army on the east bank of the Suez Canal. The Israel Chaplaincy Corps search teams will resume their work today, after the Sabbath break.

The search teams travelled on military half-tracks, accompanied by army sappers who dismantled mines sown by the Egyptians in the desert alongside the bodies.

The army's Manpower Department estimates the area holds the bodies of about 350 missing soldiers. The dead men will be identified with the aid of special files, which include personal descriptions, teeth models, and details of the clothing they were wearing and the vehicles in which *they were riding.* *(Itim)*

55 'mortar shell' booby traps discovered

Police reported over the weekend that more than 40 miniature mortar-shell booby-traps have been turned in by residents of Tel Aviv so far. Fifteen more of the bombs, about which police warned the public last week, have been discovered in other towns.

Five bombs resembling toys were found in Netivot yesterday by a soldier, and removed safely. Over the weekend, the Haifa police spokesman reported receiving two more of the booby traps, brought home as souvenirs by soldiers serving on the Suez front.

The police warnings about the booby-traps followed the wounding last week of a 12-year-old Ashkelon boy who had picked up a shell which exploded in his hand. A booby-trapped transistor radio, believed planted by Arab terrorists near an irrigation tap in a settlement, injured an Arab woman a month ago.

Parents and teachers have been asked to repeatedly warn their children *not to touch attractive items* like radios, watches, boxes and toys which they find in public places.

Police added however that a bomb-toy which frightened a Nahariya kindergarten when it turned up on Friday proved on inspection to be just a toy.

Villager dismantles 280 shells

ACRE.— A resident of Kfar Rami near here, was arrested yesterday after police found 280 empty IDF cartridge shells in his home. The man, whose age was given as 36, reportedly told police he had gathered the shells on a nearby army firing range, and had removed the explosives in order to use the castings for decoration.

The alleged collector is being held *for questioning.* *(Itim)*

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Armoured division chief, Peled, promoted to Aluf

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Tat-Aluf Moshe Peled, who commanded an armoured division on the Syrian front during the October war, has been promoted to the rank of Aluf (Major-General).

Peled's tank corps bore the brunt of the battles along the southern sector of the Golan Heights front during the crucial first days of the war, when the Syrians penetrated deep beyond the 1967 cease-fire line. After containing the Syrian army, he was one of the three top commanders of the Israel counter-offensive in the north that pushed the Syrians back to a line some 40 kilometres southwest of Damascus.

Aluf Peled, who is known to his comrades-in-arms as "Mussa," is a member of Moshav Nahalal. In the War of Independence he served as company commander with the Golani Brigade, taking part in the battles at Mishmar Ha'emek and commanding the Golani task force that reached Eilat at the end of the war. In 1949 he returned to Nahalal, holding various command posts in the armoured corps as a reservist.

Ten years later he responded to a call by the then O.C. Armoured Corps, Haim Bar-Lev, and returned to active duty, holding various senior command posts in the tank corps and graduating from the army's Command and Staff College. In 1962 he was sent to the U.S. for a year to study advanced armour tactics. On his return, he served as commander of a tank company commanders' course, which,

ALUF MOSHE PELED

under his command, underwent complete reorganization.

During the Six Day War in June 1967, he headed the staff of Aluf (Res.) Elad Peled's division that fought in the West Bank and on the Golan Heights. After that war *he held a senior post in the Operations and Training Branch of the* General Staff and served as senior commander in the armoured forces during the War of Attrition along the Suez Canal front.

He is 47, married and father of five children, the three youngest of which are triplets. His oldest son serves in the army.

Labour firm on NRP

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ment impossible then the Alignment will go ahead with a narrow coalition based on its own 54 votes of the Alignment, and the seven M.K.s of the IL.P.-Aloni bloc, to which can be added five Agudat votes on all moves connected with the Geneva conference and additional withdrawals.

The Labour sources said they also could rely on the support or at least abstention of the single vote of Moked and the four Rakah votes.

Asher Wallfish reports:

Reliable sources told *The Post* last night that the next coalition would apparently have between three and five fewer ministries. The source said that the working committee on governmental structure was already considering combining the Ministries of Communications and Transport; the Ministries of Housing and of Immigrant Absorption; the Ministries of Justice and of Police; and the Ministries of Labour and of Social Welfare. It was considering the possibility that a new ministry of Science and Technology would be established.

The source said the working committee was discussing the creation of a Ministry of Information, to be headed by a minister who would serve as government spokesman.

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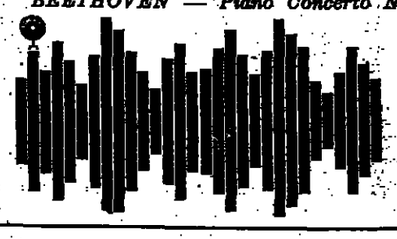

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The funeral will leave at 12.30 today
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In deep sorrow we announce the death of our dear mother and grandmother
EDITH GRÜNTHAL
at the age of 80.
The funeral leaves today, Sunday, January 27, 1974, at 2 p.m. from the deceased's home, 34 Rehov Ben Yehuda, Netanya, to the cemetery in the Ben-Zion quarter.
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In sorrow, we announce the death of
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wife of Abe, mother of Gerald, Rochella and Michael.
The funeral will take place at 3 p.m., today, January 27, 1974, at the Ramat Hasharon Cemetery, Kvish Geha.
Kindly refrain from condolence visits.
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Six draws in eight National League games

Haifa Hapoel move up to 3rd place

By PAUL KOHN
Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

L AVIV. — Goals scored in the t and last minutes of the game, e Haifa Hapoel a 3:2 victory r Beersheba Hapoel and took it third place in the National Lea-

ix of yesterday's eight matches the First Division ended in draws, d the leaders, Tel Aviv Maccabi d Netanya Maccabi, both played goalless games. The only other n in this League was that of dera Hapoel, 2:1 over Kfar Saba poel. The defeat dropped Kfar ba Hapoel, the early season Lea- e leaders, to fourth place.

With a third of the season gone, Aviv Maccabi sets the pace th 16 points, followed by Netanya accabi with 14 points, Haifa Hael 13, Kfar Saba Hapoel 12, and fa Maccabi 11. Six clubs each ve 10 points.

The only club without a win this son is Jerusalem Hapoel, held to 1:1 draw yesterday by Bnei Yeda after taking the lead in the h minute.

Five thousand spectators at the ryat Haim stadium saw Yitzhak hi give Haifa Hapoel the lead the first minute, after he fixed to a pass by Baliti. Seven minutes er, Meir Barad put Beersheba poel level with a great goal. He k the ball past four Haifa play- s before beating goalkeeper Beh with a low shot.

Beersheba took the lead in the th minute through Rafi Eliahu, d on the play of play deservedly d the lead at half-time. Haifa poel took charge in the second f, and their superior football was warded in the 56th minute when Eli Lowenthal levelled. In the 90th minute, Haifa Hapoel's international defender Abba Gindin moved through to shoot past Ronnie Moskowitz, the visitors' goalie, and win his club both points.

In the best game of the season at Hadera, 4,000 spectators also saw early and late goals. In the third minute, Hadera's Avi Argaz gave his side the lead with a shot from 20 metres. A keenly-fought tussle developed, with the local boys rising to the challenge laid down by the classier Kfar Saba team. In the 78th minute, Shmuel Yakobovsky gave Hadera a 2:0 lead. This was reduced to 2:1 in the 85th minute by Avraham Marchinsky. Hadera Hapoel's new international Shalom Shwarz played an outstanding game.

Jerusalem Hapoel, playing in Givatayim, appeared with its best combination yet this season, including Eli Ben-Rimoj for the first time. Jerusalem opened confidently and in the 20th minute Shlomo Mahtabi headed them into the lead from a high ball by Nahum Tashma. In the 42nd minute, Bnei Yehuda's Yaacov Sharabi equalised, from a pass by Ehud Ben-Tovim. The second half was evenly fought, and the final result reflected the run of play.

Jerusalem Betar also split the points, holding Netanya Maccabi to a 0:0 on a very muddy YMCA ground. The visitors concentrated on defence, in which Gad Machness and the brothers Shraga and Haim Bar, played fine games.

Then thousand fans at the Bloomfield stadium saw the League leaders Tel Aviv Maccabi held by Petah Tikva Maccabi. The Petah Tikva defence, led by Yitzhak Druker and Doron Rosenthal, concentrated on holding Vicky Peretz and Dror Barnur, thus neutralising the Tel Aviv Maccabi attack. Petah Tikva's keeper Shlomo Keel played a fine game. In the Tel Aviv defence, Mike Bello played a fine game and Danny Spokoini was best of the Petah Tikva forwards.

At the same ground, Jaffa Maccabi took the lead against Tel Aviv Betar in the 18th minute through Moshe Onana. They were on top throughout the first half, but a Betar revival was rewarded with a goal by Reuven Nimni in the 54th minute.

Petah Tikva Hapoel and Tel Aviv Hapoel played to a 0:0 draw in Ashkelon. (The Petah Tikva side have been "exiled" by the Football Association's disciplinary committee following the unruly behaviour of their fans in a recent match against Tel Aviv Maccabi. They will have to play a second "home" game away from its own grounds.) Tel Aviv Hapoel should have won this match, but their forwards, Lapardon and Feigenbaum, missed easy scoring chances.

Ramat Gan Hakoah played its "home" game in Givatayim, where they held Haifa Maccabi to a 0:0 draw. From the 43rd minute onwards, Haifa Maccabi played with 10 men as Moshe Agami was sent off for fouling Hakoah defender Shani Cohen.

National League Results

Haifa Hapoel 3, Beersheba Hapoel 2; Hadera Hapoel 2, Kfar Saba Hapoel 1; Tel Aviv Betar 1, Jaffa Maccabi 1; Hakoah 0, Haifa Maccabi 0; Bnei Yehuda 1, Jerusalem Hapoel 1; Petah Tikva Maccabi 0, Tel Aviv Maccabi 0; Jerusalem Betar 0, Netanya Maccabi 0; Petah Tikva Hapoel 0, Tel Aviv Hapoel 0.

Standings after 10 games

	goals	points
1. Tel Aviv Maccabi	16: 3	16
2. Netanya Maccabi	11: 3	14
3. Haifa Hapoel	14:14	13
4. Kfar Saba Hapoel	11: 9	12
5. Jaffa Maccabi	7: 5	11
6. Tel Aviv Betar	7: 6	10
7. Hakoah	8: 8	10
8. Bnei Yehuda	5: 6	10
9. Hadera Hapoel	6: 8	10
10. Petah Tikva Maccabi	7:10	10
11. Jerusalem Betar	10:15	10
12. Petah Tikva Hapoel (9)	11: 8	8
13. Beersheba Hapoel	12:14	7
14. Haifa Maccabi	9:13	7
15. Tel Aviv Hapoel	6:10	6
16. Jerusalem Hapoel (9)	5:13	5

League A South

Dimona Hapoel 1, Marmorek Hapoel 0; Ramat Amidar Maccabi 2, Holon Maccabi 0; Rishon Le-Zion Hapoel 0, Ramle Hapoel 1; Ashdod Hapoel 1, Beer Yaacov Hapoel 4; Holon Hapoel 2, Yahud Hapoel 1; Shaarayim Maccabi 4, Bat Yam Hapoel 0; Ramle Betar 1, Lydda Hapoel 4; Beit Shemesh Hapoel 0, Nes Ziona 0.

LEADERS

	goals	points
1. Shaarayim Maccabi	22: 8	17
2. Yahud Hapoel	26:16	12
3. Marmorek Hapoel	18:11	12
4. Beit Shemesh Hapoel	20:14	12
5. Holon Hapoel	18: 9	12
6. Lydda Hapoel	18:17	12

League A North

Safad Hapoel 3, Herzliya Hapoel 0; Kiryat Shmona Hapoel 0, Shimshon 1; Migdal Haemek Hapoel 2, Tirat Hacarmel Hapoel 2; Acre Hapoel 1, Netanya Hapoel 0; Kiryat Ata Hapoel 0, Netanya Betar 1; Nazareth Hapoel 3, Nahariya Hapoel 1; Herzliya Maccabi 2, Nahliel Hapoel 1; Tiberias Hapoel v. Ramat Gan Hapoel — postponed.

LEADERS

	goals	points
1. Safad Hapoel	21:11	16
2. Tiberias Hapoel (9)	11: 4	15
3. Tirat Hacarmel Hapoel	15: 8	14
4. Acre Hapoel	11: 5	14
5. Shimshon	16: 6	13
6. Ramat Gan Hapoel (9)	8: 4	12

After NRP move in Bat Yam

Angry Likud delays signing of T.A. pact

By SARAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

EL AVIV. — The Likud postponsigning the agreement admitting e religious parties into the Tel iv coalition on Friday in protest ainst NRP attempts to renege agreements with the Likud in number of cities, primarily Bat m.

Mayor-designate Shlomo Lahat reed to put off the signing at the quest of Likud leaders Menahem gin and Elimelech Rimalt. Mr. hat stressed, however, that he s in no way attempting to tie up l Aviv affairs to those of other wns and make his political powconditional on that of another rty elsewhere. Likud sources said at the postponement was merely demonstration of displeasure and at the signing will take place netime this week.

The Likud move followed a deal tween the Alignment and NRP oviding for linkages in municipal alitions even where this means eaking existing agreements with e Likud. The Alignment's chief n is to restore the administration outgoing Mayor Menahem Rothhild in Bat Yam. But the local RP branch there is steadfastly resing to break the coalition agreeent with the Likud headed by ayor-designate Yitzhak Walker.

The NRP Executive is motivated its desire to regain control of iei Brak, where the Alignment d teamed with the Aguda Bloc. e Alignment has served notice on e NRP that unless it delivers Bat m, the country's fifth largest wn, it will not get Bnei Brak.

The other Tel Aviv coalition partr, the ILP, has come out against ch nationwide municipal coalition als, saying that local government the sole responsibility of local rty branches. It urged that a new te be set for the signing.

The Alignment man who engiered the deal with the NRP, Hor's Mayor Pinhas Eylon, has come der strong attack, primarily from kud mayors Israel Peled of Rat Gan and Shmuel Rechtman of hovot. They have accused him of using his position as chairman of e Union of Local Authorities by edding in the local policies of her towns and breaking up munipal coalitions rather than safearding the interests of local govnments.

Mr. Eylon strongly rejected such cusations, saying that he is "a ee man and can act according to y own conscience and understanding. I happen to be the chairman of the Union of Local Authorities, but I was also a party man when Rechtman was still in kindergarten. Although I never sold my soul to the party, I will not have Rehovot's mayor teach me morality." Mr. Eylon defended his actions by noting that Mayor Rothschild of Bat Yam had secured 10 council seats to the nine won by the Likud.

The Bat Yam NRP branch is led largely by members of the young leadership, who have branded attempts to pressure them into breaking the agreement they signed "dishonesty of the worst sort, and a blight on our political life."

OFFICIAL VOTE RESULTS

Dr. Meir Shaham, deputy-director-general of the Interior Ministry and national supervisor of elections, announced on Friday that the first official results of elections for local authorities will be made public this morning.

Dr. Shaham said that, in contrast to the legal requirement to publish the result of votes for the Knesset within 14 days after elections, the municipal results must not be made known before the 10th day after polling.

The delay was due to problems at the Government Printer, difficulties arising from the mobilization of many voters, "and the adverse weather," he claimed. Additional results will follow each day.

Ben-Ami ousted as Alignment defects

NETANYA.— Veteran Mayor Oved Ben-Ami will have to move over to the opposition as a result of Friday's decision by the local Alignment branch not to approve its Municipal Council faction's draft coalition agreement with his Likud list. The Alignment will instead head a coalition of its own with the local religious bloc and the Independent Liberals.

Mr. Ben-Ami had gone into the elections last month heading a 13-man coalition of the Likud, the Alignment, the two local religious factions and an independent list. The elections eliminated the last list and left the Likud and Alignment even at five seats each on the 15-man Council. The new 10-man coalition (four Religious and one I.L.P.) will probably be headed by present Alignment Deputy Mayor A. Bar-Menahem. *(Itim)*

Big guns battle in English Cup

LONDON (UPI).—Favourites Leeds United strolled through to the last 16 of the English Football Association Cup in champion style yesterday, but some of the other big guns had to battle for survival.

Leeds, the runaway first division leaders, coasted to a 4-1 victory over Fourth Division Peterborough United, a club famed for its past giant-killing performances.

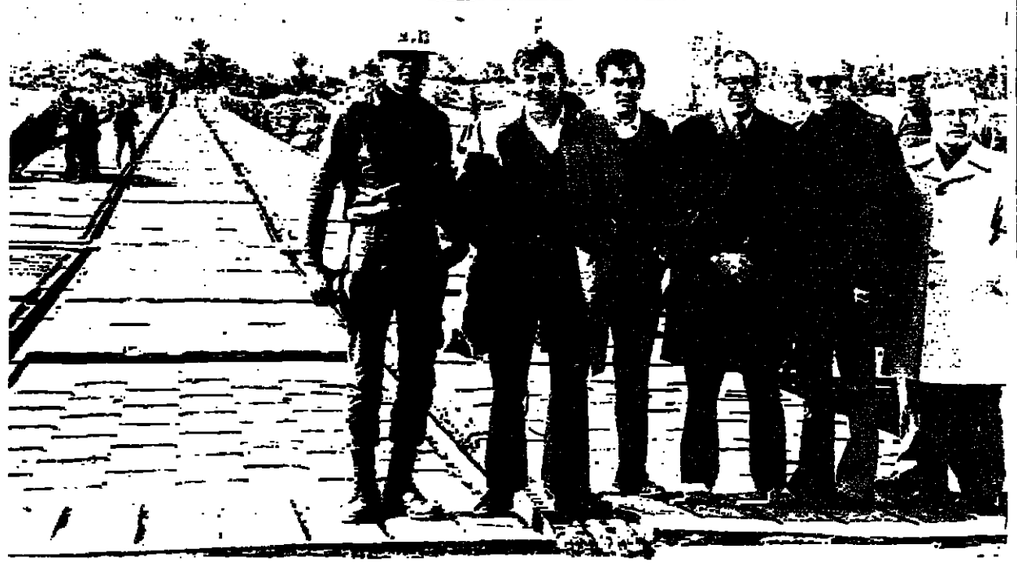
Fourth division Scunthorpe United threatened to pull off the biggest shock of the fourth round when left-winger Nolan Keeley scored after only seven minutes against Newcastle United. But the First Division side fought back and equalised in the 62nd minute to force a reply.

Premier sides Arsenal, Liverpool, Southampton and Leicester City were also held to draws by clubs from lower divisions.

Results of English Cup Fourth Round:

Arsenal 1, Aston Villa 1; Fulham 1, Leicester 1; Hereford 0, Bristol City 1; Liverpool 0, Carlisle 0; Luton 3, Bradford 0; Manchester United 0, Ipswich 1; Newcastle 1, Scunthorpe 1; Oldham 1, Burnley 4; Peterborough 1, Leeds 4; Queen's Park Rangers 2, Birmingham 0; Southampton 3, Bolton 3; Wrexham 1, Middlesbrough 0.

English League Cup, Semi-Final, second leg: Wolverhampton 1, Norwich 0.



Top leaders of the American labour movement pose with a military policeman on one of the bridges spanning the Suez Canal during a tour of military installations on Friday. The good-will mission is headed by the No. 2 man in the AFL-CIO, Lane Kirkland (next to the MP), and also includes Robert Georgine, secretary-treasurer of the AFL-CIO Building Trades Dept.; Murray Finley, president, Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America; John Schmitt, president, Wisconsin State Federation of Labour, Thomas Gleason, head of the Longshoremen's Association; and Gregory Bardacke, of the American Trade Union Council for Labour Israel.

'Flow of Soviet Jews continued during war'

NEW YORK (JTA). — The flow of Soviet Jews to Israel "continued unabated during the last part of 1973, despite the war, bringing the total for 1973 to 35,000," officials of the Greater New York Conference on Soviet Jewry said at a press conference last week.

Stanley Lowell, chairman of the conference, and Malcolm Hoenlein, executive director, said that in major Soviet cities such as Moscow, Leningrad and Kiev, the number of people refused exit permits has increased sharply, as has the number of those seeking to emigrate. In some cities, recent arrivals to Israel report, visa applicants had to wait as long as three and four days in line to file their papers. There is a general optimism, however, that emigration will continue to grow as the movement reaches new centres of Jewish population. The two men recently returned from a mission to Israel.

With regard to Soviet policy on emigration of Jews, the two officials said many visas are refused as a result of arbitrary decisions of local officials:

"Many people are now told that their emigration would pose a threat to the security of the state because they were exposed to secret materials. Few, if any, of the applicants had in fact been exposed to classified information or worked in security installations. Soviet Jews are now demanding that the government establish clear guidelines as to what constitutes secret work and how long such a status remains in effect. A special governmental commission is expected to begin work this week in Moscow to review the cases of those refused visas in the past."

Light industry parley here next year

TEL AVIV. — An international congress of light industry and artisans is to be held in Israel in February, 1975. This was learned during a visit here of a 40-man deputation of the Cologne Artisans Association, led by Mr. Karl Wilbert as guests of the Israel Artisans Association.

French c'ttee to help PoWs in Syria

By JACK MAURICE
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS. — Nazi-hunter Beate Klarsfeld and a number of leading French university personalities are the first members of a committee created here in order to help free Israel prisoners of war held in Syria.

The young German recently returned here from Damascus, where she went to present an appeal to the Syrian authorities to release the prisoners and find ways to make peace with Israel.

The Committee for Freedom for Israel Prisoners in Syria was organised under the auspices of the French Union of Jewish Students and includes sociologists Georges Friedmann and Vladimir Jankelevitch as well as writer Pierre Paraf.

The decision to create the committee follows on the heels of a statement made here by pro-Arab Parliament member Raymond Offroy, who said he could obtain the list of Israel PoWs in Syria and have it communicated to the Red Cross if Israel permitted the Syrian civilians who left villages caught up in the October war to return to their homes.

Offroy, a former ambassador, has travelled extensively in the Middle East recently and his claim was seen here as possibly having the assent of authorities in Damascus, with whom he has good relations.

Bonds parley opening tonight

Jerusalem Post Economic Reporter

Over 500 Bond drive leaders from the American continent will be guests this evening at a reception by Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir in Tel Aviv, inaugurating the Prime Minister's 1974 International Israel Bond Conference.

They will discuss Israel's needs in the aftermath of the Yom Kippur War, and will plan the sale of the latest Bond issue — the $1,000m. Development and Reconstruction Loan.

The conference will last a week, ending next Saturday. It will be addressed by Prime Minister Golda Meir, Mr. Sapir, Defence Minister Moshe Dayan, Foreign Minister Abba Eban and other Government leaders.

A new event to be announced is the formation of the Prime Minister's Club. Membership will be open to all persons subscribing to $25,000 or more of Israel Bonds. They will receive a lapel pin, and it is intended that the clubs should be active, the Bond spokesman told *The Jerusalem Post* on Friday.

Jewish humanism centre at Haifa U.

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — A centre for Jewish humanism will be established at the Haifa University early this summer to hold fortnightly seminars for groups of Jewish leaders from the U.S. The course of lectures will be on Jewish history, concepts and ethics.

The University's acting president, Eliezer Rafaeli, announced the news yesterday to the 60-man delegation of the Jewish Welfare Board in the U.S., now visiting here. The guests also met Dr. Avraham Benjamin, head of the Education Department and of the University's Jewish-Arab Centre, and Dr. George Kanazi, head of the Department of Arabic Language and Literature.

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New Jerusalem apartments soak up the rain

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Hundreds of apartments in the new Jerusalem residential quarters of Gilo and Neve Yaacov have been soaked in the recent rains by water penetrating walls and ceilings, Deputy Mayor Yehoshua Matza said last night.

Mr. Matza called on the Housing Ministry to provide alternative accommodation to the residents affected until their apartments are repaired. This could take several months in many cases, he said. Mr. Matza said all expenses must be borne by the Ministry. The Ministry spokesman could not be reached last night.

Residents of Gilo demonstrated on Thursday at the offices of Shikun U'Fituah. The houses at Neve Yaacov were built by Solel Boneh.

Power stations back to normal

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — All the major generating units of the Electric Corporation's three power stations are back in service. On Thursday, the 214 megawatts unit at Reading IV, that had been out of action all week because of the breakdown during the storm, was restored to operation.

It was found intact when it was dismantled; the defect was traced to a transformer which has been replaced.

Villager dies in blizzard

NABLUS. — The body of a man aged about 50, apparently frozen to death, was found at the end of last week by residents of Zawata village, west of here.

Doctors at the Government Hospital in Nablus, where the body was taken, believe that the man died when caught in a freezing storm. He was identified by people in the area as a resident of the village of Sejeriya. *(Itim)*

Debate on food shortages asked

Simha Erlich M.K. (Likud-Liberal) on Friday asked the Knesset Presidium to arrange for an urgent debate on the shortage of certain basic foods. The Likud Knesset faction on Friday also demanded an urgent debate on the power crisis in East Jerusalem.

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General Manager

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The Director General and the Management of his Office send best wishes to the members of the National Jewish Welfare Board, on the occasion of their first meeting in Israel, and on the dedication of the Solomon and Mary Litt JWB Headquarters in Israel.

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Chairman Central Administration

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Tickets for events available at the Museum Ticket Office. For concerts, also at Union, 118 Rehov Dizengoff.

THOUSANDS REPORTED FLEEING

Panic in Phnom Penh as shells hit city

PHNOM PENH (AP). — Panic gripped thousands of Phnom Penh residents last night as insurgent gunners poured high-explosive shells into the city and rumours circulated that rebel infiltrators were nearing the Cambodian capital, on-the-scene reports said.

More than 100 rounds of high 105 mm. artillery rained on densely populated southern sections of the city. Casualties were not immediately known.

Thousands of residents from the Boeung Tum Pun section of the city fled northward from areas of the shelling.

Most said they did not know where they were fleeing. They said they had heard Khmer Rouge infiltrators were approaching the city from the south.

Reliable sources said the Cambodian High Command had reported an undetermined number of infiltrators moving toward the city. This was not substantiated by local militia. Most felt the panic was caused by the intense shelling and the rumours.

The U.S. Embassy went on alert, with the Marine guard contingent drawing weapons and other equipment.

The shelling was the heaviest sustained by Phnom Penh since the Cambodian War began April, 1970. It was the third night in a row insurgent gunners threw artillery barrages on the city. The casualties for the first two days of the shelling were 50 dead and 117 wounded.

China holding U.S. civilian

WASHINGTON (UPI).— China has said it is holding an American citizen picked up during the clash between Chinese and South Vietnamese forces on the Paracel Islands, the State Department said yesterday.

The Chinese said that Gerald Emil Kosh, 27, of Lafayette Hill, Pennsylvania, is alive and in their custody, Department spokesman John King reported.

Kosh was described as a civilian assigned as an observer to the South Vietnamese Navy at Da Nang to report on its use of U.S.-provided equipment, and had accompanied a patrol to the Paracel Islands.

Meanwhile, in Moscow the Tass News Agency hinted that China provoked the fighting with South Vietnam over the disputed Paracel Islands to divert attention from its internal difficulties.

Greece expected to expel terrorists

ATHENS (AP). — The Greek Government yesterday praised the "independent and conscience-based decision of Greek justice" in sentencing two Arab terrorists to death last week.

The Government also announced it would "handle the issue" after all legal means were exhausted.

Observers saw the statement, made by Foreign Minister Spyros Tetenes in a press release, as the first official confirmation of reports that the Government would expel the two terrorists rather than send them to the firing squad.

The statement came shortly after reports from Beirut said Palestinian leaders officially described the death sentence as "harsh and unreasonable." It also came shortly after the lawyer of the two terrorists said yesterday that the two Arabs had originally refused to be granted pardon and demanded execution. "We don't want anybody's grace, we want execution as the only means to true liberation," lawyer Constantine Stefanakis quoted one of the terrorists as saying just after the final verdict was made.

Stefanakis, however, said he was proceeding with the appeals on grounds that the Arabs' request was "purely emotional, illogical and spontaneous."

The two terrorists, Shafik Arid, 23, and Talal Khantouran, 22, were sentenced to death for killing five airline passengers in a grenade and gun attack at Athens Airport last August.

The Greek Embassy in Beirut denied yesterday that the Black September terrorist group has threatened reprisals against Greece for the sentence.

Arabs extradited from Israel now in Denmark

COPENHAGEN (AFP). — Two Israeli Arabs accused of murdering a Jordanian here last year arrived in Copenhagen under guard yesterday, following their extradition from Israel.

The two, George Hadas and Habib Habib — both aged 20 — are accused of beating Jordanian Abdul Rahman to death with an iron bar in a wood near Copenhagen's international airport last September 12. The two, who were subsequently located in Israel, say they are innocent.

Threat to life of young Getty

ROME (UPI). — J. Paul Getty III, flanked by security agents because of anonymous threats against his life, returned to Rome on Friday to answer police questions about his five-month abduction by an alleged Southern Italian drug ring.

Police questioned the American billionaire's grandson for more than five hours upon his sudden arrival from Austria, where he had been vacationing with his mother, Mrs. Gail Harris.

Police sources said Getty told investigators he would not be able to identify four of his suspected abductors now in police custody because he had been kept blindfolded and never allowed to see their faces during his confinement.

World Communists meet

BRUSSELS (UPI). — Leaders of the Communist Parties of Western Europe opened a weekend meeting yesterday to discuss the "crisis of world capitalism" and how they can take advantage of it. There were 21 delegations from 20 Western European countries and West Berlin.

Four cadets from South Vietnam's National Military Academy in the mountain city of Dalat drop smoke grenades as they dangle from ropes under a helicopter during graduation ceremonies presided over by President Nguyen Van Thieu. (AP radiophoto)

VINLAND MAP IS FORGED

NEW HAVEN, Conn. (Reuter). — Yale University has been told that the Vinland map, believed to be the earliest map of the New World in existence — which it owns — is a forgery.

The forgery was revealed to the university by a Chicago firm of experts in the field of small particle analysis. They were given the map, originally believed to have been drawn about 1,000 A.D., by Yale to study two years ago.

An announcement by Yale on Friday said that the map, given to the university in 1965, may be of 20th century origin.

The research into the map's authenticity was carried out at the request of Yale University Library by Walter C. McCrone Associates.

The president of the firm, Mr. Walter McCrone, said in a telephone interview yesterday that the crystalline structure of the ink makes it certain that the vellum map of the world of the 15th century was, in fact, produced sometime after 1920.

He told Reuter that the man who made the map used a modern pigment in the ink. "It's a titanium dioide pigment not developed until 1920."

Yale University was given the map in 1965 by an anonymous donor. What startled the experts then was an amazingly accurate representation of Greenland and to its left a large island named Vinland. The map was thought to be the earliest cartographic representation of North America showing lands discovered by Lief Eiriksson, a Norseman, long before Christopher Columbus.

The map has been subjected to extensive tests prior to 1965, using the best methods then available but results were never considered definitive.

First victories by Soviet grandmasters

By ELIAHU SHAHAF
Jerusalem Post Chess Correspondent

Soviet grandmasters Anatoli Karpov and Viktor Korchnoi scored their first victories, against Lev Polugayevski and Henrique Mecking respectively, in the World Chess Championship quarter-finals.

Anatoli Karpov, 22, convincingly disposed of Lev Polugayevski on Thursday and took a one-game lead. After Polugayevski's sealed 41st move was opened, it only took Karpov eight moves and 25 minutes to dispose of the 39-year-old Moscow engineer. Karpov's crushing conclusion of the game, adjourned on Wednesday night, ended a dull string of three textbook draws which made the Soviet grandmasters look like noncombatants. Polugayevski impressed, however, a group of grandmasters gathered backstage at the Writers Club Auditorium, with his spirited comeback in the fifth game, which ended in a draw on the 44th move.

In Augusta, U.S. Viktor Korchnoi scored his first victory on Friday when Henrique Mecking considered his position hopeless in their adjourned fifth game and resigned. The sixth game was rescheduled for yesterday afternoon as the physician of the match granted the request by Mecking to postpone the game, after the 22-year old Brazilian cited fatigue, illness and insomnia.

American champion Robert Byrne, who said before the fifth game that "my chances are poor, but I am not giving up," played to a draw on Friday with Boris Spassky in San Juan. Spassky leads the match two games to none and one more win would put the Russian into the semi-finals.

In Majorca, Tigran Petrosian and Lajos Portisch played to a draw on Friday in the fourth game. The draw came in the 32nd move, after just over two hours of play, at the proposal of Portisch. The two grandmasters played with extreme caution, as in their previous games, without taking any risks. Petrosian has never beaten Portisch in their 19 meetings in the last years. Portisch won four games and the rest were drawn.

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President of Togo survives air crash

LOME, Togo (AP).—The President of Togo, Gen. Etienne Eyadema, has survived a plane crash in which four other men were killed, Lome Radio reported.

Eyadema was about to land in his home town of Lamakara, 480 kms. north of this capital, when his DC3 crashed. The radio said that Eyadema escaped with minor scratches on the face. But the French pilot, the President's military aide — a Frenchman — and two Togolese military aides all died.

Surprise Gaddafi visit to Geneva to see Bourguiba

GENEVA. — Colonel Gaddafi, the Libyan leader, left Geneva for Tripoli yesterday after his surprise meeting with Tunisian President Habib Bourguiba on Friday. The two discussed the proposed union between their two countries.

The project has lost momentum since it was announced on January 12, and Tunisian Foreign Minister Habib Chatti told newsmen here Friday that it was still in the "studying stage."

Originally it was stated that the union would come about very soon.

Bourguiba arrived here last week for a period of cure and rest in a Geneva psychiatric clinic. Gaddafi flew in unannounced on Friday morning.

Gaddafi's arrival by special plane surprised local observers and apparently also some Tunisian officials. The Libyan leader and his party of about 24 drove straight to a luxury hotel, where officials said they had taken the whole of its 18th floor.

A reporter asked Mr. Chatti if difficulties had arisen in putting the merger into effect. The Minister replied: "There are no difficulties. We are studying the modalities of its application."

"The Guardian's" correspondent in Geneva reported yesterday that Gaddafi had attempted to revive the Tunisia-Libya merger but his visit has proved unsuccessful.

"He had hoped to see the gravely ill 70-year-old Tunisian President alone. Instead he found the new Tunisian Foreign Minister, Mr. Chatti, who had got wind of the trip, standing at the end of the hastily-gathered reception line at Geneva airport. After a brief visit to the hospital, Colonel Gaddafi again saw President Bourguiba accompanied by Chatti for 90 minutes. When the Libyan leader came out, he looked angrily at waiting journalists and refused to make any statement." (AP, Reuter)

'Bloody Sunday' walk retraced

BELFAST, Northern Ireland (UPI). — Thousands of Roman Catholics yesterday marked the second anniversary of "Bloody Sunday" in Londonderry by retracing the footsteps of the marchers.

Leaders of the demonstration unveiled a 4-metre high stone memorial to the 13 persons killed by troops during an anti-internment demonstration. There were no incidents in yesterday's commemoration, an army spokesman said.

There was strict security in the area, but troops and police kept in the background during the march, the spokesman said.

Kreisky reiterates — Arab states first

VIENNA (AFP). — Austrian Chancellor Bruno Kreisky on Friday reiterated his view that the Security Council International fact-finding mission to the Middle East, which he is to head, should at first visit only the Arab countries. Replying to a question from an AFP correspondent here, Kreisky said "we know Israel's position well but are far less informed about the position of the Arabs."

He had no objection to visiting Israel afterwards on condition that the first leg of the tour would cover the Arab states.

Avalanche kills 12 in eastern Turkey

ELAZIG, Turkey (UPI). — An avalanche killed 12 persons and critically injured seven others in a township of Kozkonal, police said yesterday.

Rescue workers asked for medical help to be rushed to the snowbound village in Eastern Turkey. They reported the survivors were in a critical condition, police said.

$200m. Saudi aid for Sudan

KHARTOUM (UPI). — Saudi Arabia has guaranteed $200m. for the development of the Sudan, President Numeiri said yesterday at a meeting of the National Congress. He said he would disclose further details later.

Iraqi dinar revalued

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP). — The Iraqi dinar was revalued yesterday by 24 per cent. The new rate is nine Lebanese pounds or 950 Japanese yen to a dinar, the Iraqi News Agency reported.

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Series 7, Monday, 28.1.74
Series 8, Tuesday, 29.1.74
Programme:
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BEERSHEBA, Keren Hall Subscription Concert No. 1
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TANIA REMENNIK, cello
Wednesday, 30.1.74 at 8.30 p.m.
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61 dead as Turkish jet crashes

ANKARA (Reuter). — At least 61 people died yesterday in Turkey's worst air disaster in 10 years — and one man walked away from the blazing wreckage, almost unscathed.

Eleven other survivors, all critically injured, were pulled from the Turkish Airlines Fokker Fellowship jet after it crashed on take-off and exploded in flames near the Aegean city of Izmir.

They included an air hostess, and one of Turkey's best-known sportswomen, Sili Jirand, who is the Balkans clay pigeon shooting champion and has a British husband.

Most of the 73 passengers and crew were burned to death still strapped in their seats.

The airliner was taking off from a small military airport at Cumaovasi, a few kms. from Izmir, because the city's main airport is under repair.

Eye-witnesses said its wheels had barely left the runway, on a domestic flight to Istanbul, when it banked and plunged on to its port wing.

Turkish Airlines officials said four foreigners were among the dead. They included an American and his wife, but their names will not being revealed until relatives had been told.

Also killed were the plane's captain and three babies. Most of the dead were Turkish workers and their families on their way to West Germany.

Airport staff raced down the runway to help survivors, but the shattered aircraft was burning so fiercely they could not get close for several minutes.

An immediate investigation was ordered into the crash. Government officials denied a Turkish report that it was caused by sabotage. One eye-witness said it appeared one of the plane's engines may have cut after take-off.

Six shot dead in food riots

NEW DELHI (Reuter). — The police yesterday shot dead six people in Gujarat State, hit by food riots and a partial general strike.

The police opened fire on 17 occasions as angry crowds looted and burned down shops in various parts of the state, officials said.

The one-day general strike called by the right-wing Hindu Jan Sangh opposition party appeared to have been only a partial success.

Broadcasting to the nation on the eve of India's Republic Day, President Giri demanded disciplined conduct from his fellow countrymen. Agitations, burning and looting of shops, strikes and lock-outs were not the answer to the nation's problems, he declared.

At least 15 towns in Gujarat have been put under curfew, and the army has been put on alert to move into the state if necessary to aid the 24,000 police and para-military forces already on duty there.

IRAN AND BRITAIN SIGN OIL DEAL

LONDON. — Iran and Britain have signed a major oil-for-commodities deal under which an extra five million tons of oil at a price of about $7 a barrel will be supplied to Britain during 1974 and early 1975.

In return British companies will export £110m. worth of steel, rubber, cement, paper and fibre products.

Details of the agreement were disclosed when Peter Walker, trade and industry secretary, flew back here after talks with the Shah of Iran at the Swiss ski resort of St. Moritz.

Walker said Britain's total oil imports would increase by about five per cent as a result of the deal. It means a step-up of between 20 and 25 per cent in the amount of Iranian oil supplied to Britain.

Walker said Britain was not going against the U.S. by arranging a bilateral oil deal with Iran.

U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger recently called for multilateral oil arrangements, instead of pacts between individual countries.

The Shah has in the meantime been meeting in St. Moritz with West German Economics Minister Hans Friderichs.

- In New York, the Arabian-American Oil Co. (Aramco) has admitted that it cut off the supply of oil to U.S. military forces as alleged by Senator Henry Jackson, but has denied the move was due to lack of patriotism.

In a statement, Aramco said its chairman, Frank Jungers, was ordered by Sheikh Ahmed Zaki Yamani, Saudi Arabian Oil Minister, to embargo shipments of crude oil to the U.S. Aramco said it was instructed that "all shipments to the U.S., either directly or indirectly, including the U.S. military, were embargoed." Aramco said it had "no choice but to follow instructions."

- Sheikh Yamani arrived in Tokyo yesterday to discuss oil problems with government and business leaders of Japan.
- A report from The Hague says that the Dutch Government has decided to rely largely on speed limits to save gasoline after rationing ends on February 4. Premier Joop Den Uyl announced a limit on highways of 100 kms. per hour and on other roads of 80 kms. per hour. *(Reuter, UPI, AP)*

Jobert sees Faisal amid reports of agreement

BEIRUT (AP). — French Foreign Minister Michel Jobert met for 45 minutes yesterday with Saudi Arabia's King Faisal.

Unofficial reports said the two countries were preparing to conclude a substantial oil-for-machinery agreement.

The Saudi State Radio said Jobert's meeting with Faisal was held at the royal palace at the Red Sea port city of Jidda.

The broadcast gave no other details, but Arab press reports said Jobert and Saudi Foreign Minister Omar Sakkaf have agreed to set up a join ministerial commission to supervise long-term economic and industrial cooperation between the two countries. The commission would meet at least every six months, reports said.

According to reports, the projects include French-built petrochemical and oil refineries in Saudi Arabia as well as the establishment of an air defence system involving missile bases and Mirage jet fighters in exchange for Saudi oil for the next 20 years.

Jobert is due to visit Kuwait today.

REFUSAL TO PROVIDE TAPES

Judge rejects Nixon plea

WASHINGTON (Reuter). — A judge told President Nixon on Friday that his reasons for refusing to provide White House tapes to the Senate Watergate Committee were "too general."

Judge Gerhard Gesell gave Mr. Nixon until February 6 to give a new explanation why he should not comply with a subpoena to provide the committee with tapes of five conversations he had with his former counsel, Mr. John Dean, between September 1972 and last March.

Mr. Dean has testified under oath that the conversations led him to believe the President was aware of a cover-up of the 1972 bugging of Democratic Party headquarters at the Watergate office building.

Judge Gesell asked the President to expand on his grounds for citing executive privilege in his refusal to produce the tapes. He offered to listen to the tapes privately, if the President was willing, to decide for "himself whether Mr. Nixon would be within his rights in refusing to hand them over to the committee."

Space photos of Minuteman

SPACE CENTER, Texas (AP). — Skylab 3's astronauts yesterday photographed a Minuteman missile as it penetrated earth's upper atmosphere after a launching from Vandenberg Air Force Base, California.

Gerald Carr and William Pogue aimed a special ultraviolet camera to track the exhaust of the intercontinental rocket as it soared over the Pacific on a test flight of several thousand kms.

The photos hopefully will tell something about changes which result when the upper atmosphere is excited by the passage of the Minuteman.

The astronauts snapped about 15 pictures at distances ranging from 500 to 1,500 kms.

For Carr, Pogue and Edward Gibson yesterday was a day off in their orbital home after setting a space endurance mark at 0547 GMT on Friday. They have less than two weeks left in their marathon space voyage.

Carr, Pogue and Gibson were all space rookies when they were launched on November 16, 1973.

Anti-terror law in Argentina

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina (AP). — The House of Representatives gave President Juan D. Peron a new weapon in combating terrorism on Friday, passing penal legislation providing for severe penalties.

On a vote of 128 to 62, the Congress approved a proposal to reform Argentina's penal code. It gives federal police new power in combating kidnappings, affiliation with terrorist groups, and extortion and other threats.

The vote came after 12 hours of all-night debate. Legislators opposed to the reform called it a return to "repressive" military-styled laws that could be turned against law-abiding citizens or political opponents of the government.

For several weeks before the session, Peronist and other Congressmen were threatened with death by terrorist groups if they backed the measure.

Seven bombs exploded yesterday in Buenos Aires and in Bahia Blanca 650 kms. to the south, injuring a woman and damaging the headquarters of the Communist Party.

Turkey gets new cabinet after 104 days

ANKARA (UPI). — Turkey's new Prime Minister, Bulent Ecevit, took the helm of a coalition government yesterday to end the nation's 104-day political crisis.

Ecevit, a former Labour Minister who leads the Republican People's Party, established the coalition with the ultra-conservative National Salvation Party (NSP). No party won enough votes in the October 14 national elections to govern alone.

Ecevit, 49, and Nejmuddin Erbakan, 48, leader of the Salvation Party, signed a protocol Friday which they said would become "the foundation of our government programme."

The protocol spelled out agreement to seek land and tax reforms, voting rights for 18-year-olds and an amnesty for political prisoners.

It also said that "a speedy solution to the hashish and poppy problem will be sought and put into practice. It will take into consideration the good of mankind and that of the neglected poppy growers."

Turkey banned opium poppy production a year ago at the request of the U.S., which said the Turkish crop was the source of 80 per cent of all heroin entering the U.S. market illegally. The U.S. paid Turkey more than $35.7m. in indemnities but Turkey's 70,000 poppy farmers said the amount was not enough to make up lost incomes.

Rites for 23 fire victims

HEUSDEN, Belgium (UPI). — Sobbing mothers and fathers attended funeral services yesterday for their 23 young sons who died in a boarding school fire. Some parents, crumbling with emotion, clutched their children's coffin.

Hundreds of mourners who could not get into the tiny church in this mining community listened to the service broadcast by loudspeakers in the market place.

The boys, aged between 12 and 15, died on Wednesday in a fire that gripped the third story dormitory of their Sacred Heart College.

ISRAEL GETS $50m. GRANT FROM U.S.

WASHINGTON (JTA). A $50m. grant, the third in three years, was made by the U.S. to Israel on Friday to help it maintain economic stability. Mr. Daniel Parker, administrator of the Agency for Economic Development, and Israel's Ambassador, Mr. Simcha Dinitz, attended a brief ceremony at the State Department at which the grant was formalised.

Israel will use the $50m. to import industrial and other commodities from the U.S. The products will be sold in Israel and the proceeds, in Israeli pounds, will be used in support of Israel's national budget.

Mr. Parker told Dinitz that the grant illustrated "the very substantial empathy the American people feel for you and your country." He added that Israel's exemplary management of previous grants induced "a high level of confidence in your government."

Referring to the cost of the war, Mr. Parker said it was "indeed remarkable" that Israel was surviving in view of the "unusual burden on your economy."

He also said that the U.S. wished to assist in the influx of Soviet immigrants to Israel.

Mr. Dinitz replied that a strong Israel, on an economically sound footing, would make her, "not only a more deserving partner," but would help in the prevention of war in the Middle East.

GEORGE SHULTZ SAID RESIGNING SOON

NEW YORK (AP). — Friends of George Shultz say he will resign as Secretary of the Treasury by April 1, the "New York Times" reported yesterday. Shultz, the only member of the original Nixon cabinet still in the Administration, is "damned tired" after five years in Washington, the "Times" quoted one Shultz associate as saying.

The Treasury had no immediate comment on the report. The paper said Shultz declined comment.

English author beaten to death

LONDON (AP). — James Pope-Hennessy, internationally known author, was found bound, gagged and beaten to death on Friday at his London apartment, Scotland Yard reported.

First reports said a second man in the apartment was found with knife wounds and hospitalized.

Pope-Hennessy was 57. He was the son of a British general. His brother John is director of London's Victoria and Albert Museum.

Pope-Hennessy was a noted writer of travel books and biographies. His works included lives of Queen Victoria, Queen Mary and Anthony Trollope.

Police suspect Pope-Hennessy, who died in a hospital, was attacked by burglars who broke into his home in Nottingham Gate, a racially-mixed quarter of West London.

They named the second man as Leslie Smith, 25, the author's valet, who was attacked by the intruders when he entered the apartment.

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HISTORIC UNDERTAKING BY MINISTER Dr. YOSEF BURG

Citizens of Israel!

The Egyptians and the Russians	did all they could for the victory of the Eban, Sapir, Ben-Aharon Alignment.
The country	voted for the Golda, Dayan, Galili Alignment — Strengthened the Likud and handed the National Religious Party the key to the Coalition.
The NRP will determine	whether Jerusalem and Tel Aviv will be hit by enemy missiles as are Saigon and Phnom Penh.
The NRP will decide	whether the face of Labour is that of Golda or Sapir Dayan or Eban

This will depend on whether the NRP keeps its promise to ensure that, in the basic policy lines of the next government, the principle of Israeli rule over Judea and Samaria is adopted.

On December 26, 1973, on the eve of the elections, Dr. Yosef Burg, Minister of the Interior and head of the NRP, signed a historic document.

DR. BURG PLEDGED THAT THE NRP WOULD NOT JOIN ANY COALITION WHICH DOES NOT ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING POINTS:

★ NO WITHDRAWAL FROM ANY PART OF THE LAND OF ISRAEL

★ Israeli sovereignty for Judea and Samaria and the Golan Heights

★ Priority for Jewish settlement in Nablus and the southern Hebron Hills

★ The right of every Jew to purchase land in any area of the liberated territory

The text of the agreement signed by Dr. Burg is as follows:

ב"ה
Jerusalem
December 26, 1973

Rabbi Levinger
Rabbi Yoezer Ariel
Mr. Hanan Porat
Mr. Zvi Armoni

Dear Friends,

I attach a summary of our conversations concerning the line that will guide NRP representatives in the various institutions of government, in their systematic activity on settlement.

I was particularly glad to see that the clauses in the NRP platform which were adopted unanimously formed the basis of the talks and mutual understanding. The attached letter will be of service in the transition from vision to fulfilment.

Such a transition is the real test of any idea.

In recognition of your invaluable work,
(—) (signed)
Dr. Yosef Burg

ז"ב
Jerusalem
December 25, 1973

A LETTER TO OUR MEMBER SETTLERS

Since the NRP platform lays down that, in accordance with the Party's convention decisions, the NRP will not agree to any programme which involves the giving up of any part of the land of Israel, the heritage of our Fathers,

And since the platforms requires the NRP to continue to work for the broadly based settlement of the areas of the Land of Israel which have been liberated, with a Jewish population, organized in agriculture, villages and towns; and to work for the establishment of new Jewish towns in these areas,

I find it appropriate to set out the lines on which we will strive to consolidate these principles, and WHICH THE NRP WILL INSIST BE ADOPTED BY ANY NEW GOVERNMENT IN WHICH IT IS A PARTNER.

A. RIGHT OF SETTLEMENT

It is the right of every Jew to settle anywhere in the Land of Israel, and it must be our aim to settle in the near future all areas of the Inheritance of our Fathers, and the places for which the nation has yearned through all the years of exile.

The NRP will therefore initiate the early establishment of a special committee of Ministers to plan and execute large-scale rural and urban settlement in Judea, Samaria and the Golan Heights.

In this programme, first priority will be given to settlement in the heart of Samaria (e.g., the Nablus region) the southern Hebron Hills, and an urban centre on the Golan Heights. Appropriate government budgets must be made available for these programmes.

The NRP will encourage private settlement initiatives in any place in Judea and Samaria.

The NRP will work to promote these subjects, and the completion of the planning stage within a year of the setting up of the government.

B. ISRAELI SOVEREIGNTY

The NRP will strive to have Israeli sovereignty applied to all liberated areas in Judea, Samaria and the Golan Heights, and for the right of every Jew to acquire land in the liberated territories, in accordance with the law applying to other land in the State.

C. DEVELOPMENT OF KIRYAT ARBA

We view as a matter of special importance the vigorous development of Kiryat Arba, in order to transform it from a development suburb to a proper city.

The NRP will insist during coalition negotiations on the government's obligation to carry out the programme outlined in this document.

(—) (signed)
Dr. Yosef Burg
Hanukka

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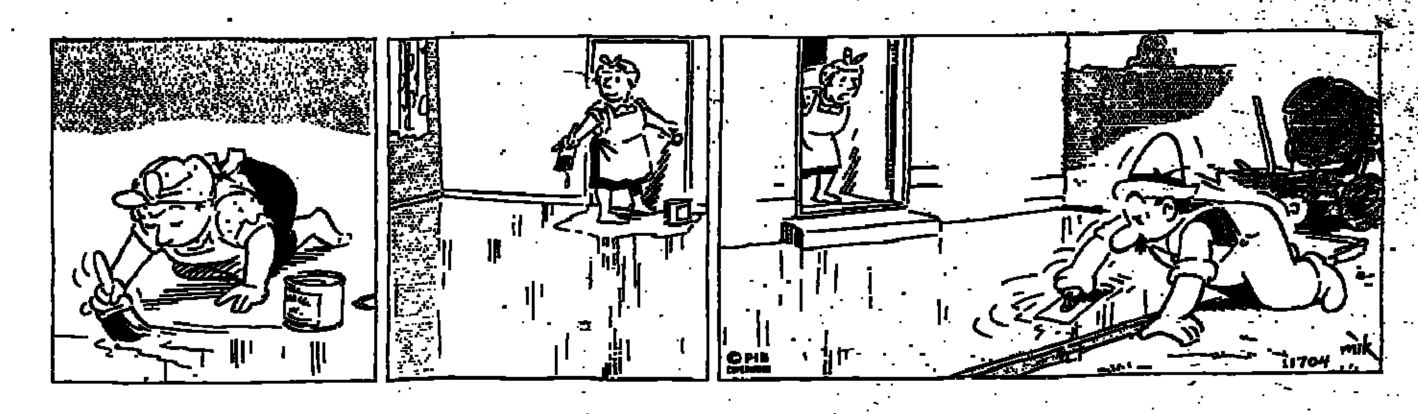

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TEL AVIV
(4.30, 7.15, 9.30)

ALLENBY: Charley Varrick; **BEN YEHUDA:** The Beach of the War Gods; **CINEMA ONE:** Judge Roy Bean. **CINERAMA:** Battle of the Giants; **CHEN:** The Bigamist; **RAMA:** Cleopatra Jones; **DEKEL:** Soul to Soul; **EDEN:** Doraha; **ESTHER:** Blume in Love; **DRIVE-IN CINEMA:** On the Run. Madron. Sat. Night. Klute; **GAT:** Pete N' Tillie; **GORDON:** Le Grand Blond Avec Une Chaussure Noire; **HOD:** Westworld; **LIMOR:** Steelyard Blues; **MAXIM:** What they did to Solange; **MOGRABI:** The Stone Killer; **ORDAN:** Guess what we learned in school today; **OPHIR:** Coffy; **ORLY:** I'll Cry Tomorrow; **PEER:** Malizia; **PARIS:** Man in the Wilderness; **RAMAT AVIV:** The Last Picture Show; Tues. 4.30 Monsters attack the earth; **STUDIO:** The Forbidden Decameron; **TCHELET:** Ovel; **TEL AVIV:** Gorden's War; **ZAFON:** The Heartbreak Kid.

RAMAT GAN

ARMON: The Canterbury Tales; **HADAR:** Judge Roy Bean; **LILI:** Jeremiah Johnson; **OASIS:** Four Flies on Grey Velvet; **ORDEA:** A man to respect; **RAMA:** Cleopatra Jones; **RAMAT GAN:** The Mackintosh Man.

HERZLIYA

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SHALOM: Redneck. Atom the Monster.

HAIFA
(4.00, 7.00, 9.00)

AMPHITHEATRE: Decameron 69; **ARMON:** Want so Much; **ATZMON:** Even Angels; **BEIT ROTHSCHILD:** Histoires Extraordinaires, Sun. Boy Friend. Thurs. Sacre Grand Pere; **CHEN:** Decameron 2; **MIRON:** Golden Tiger; **MORIAH:** Kazablan; **ORAH:** The Mackintosh; **ORDAN:** Le Gendarme se Marie; **ORION:** Godfather of Harlem; **ORLY:** Le Grand Blonde; **PEER:** The Senator Likes Women; **RON:** Class of 44; **SHAVIT:** Subterfuge.

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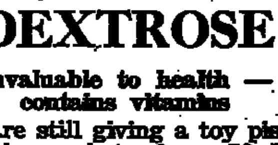

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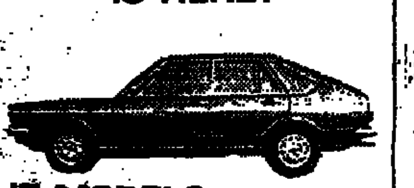

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FIRST PROGRAMME
256, 522 and 221 M.

8.05 "Morning Concert" — Geminiani: Concerto Grosso ("La Folia") (Conductor: Lola Bobesco); Haydn: Symphony No. 7 in C-major ("Noon") (Conductor: Karl Ristenpart); Ravel: "Le Tombeau de Couperin" (Conductor: Anshel Brusilov). 9.05 Karel Salmon: Suite for Two Pianos (Bracha Eden and Alexander Tamir); Mozart: String Quintet in G-minor, K. 516 (The Heutling Quartet with Hans-Otto Graf — Viola). 9.55 English News. 10.05 J.S. Bach: Fugue in E-flat major ("St. Anne") (Conductor: Eugene Ormandy); Brahms: Alto Rhapsody (Soloist: Janet Baker — Contr'alto, Conductor: Sir Adrian Boult); Hindemith: "Mathis der Maler" (Conductor: Paul Klecki). 10.55 French News. 11.00 News in Easy Hebrew. 11.06 Ivrit La'am. 11.40 Programme for Elementary Schools. 12.35 Midday Concert: Telemann: Concerto in F-major for Strings: Stravinsky: Four Etudes for Orchestra. 1.05 "At Midday." 1.35 Midday Concert — Carl Stamitz: Sinfonia Concertante for Violin and Viola (Soloists: Isaac Stern and Pinchas Zukerman); Abel Ehrlich: Concerto for 10 Violins (Conductor: Mendi Rodan). 2.05 Mother and Child. 3.05 "Tunes for Tweens" "The Force of Music" — A programme produced by Dany Orstav. 4.05 Moment of Hebrew. 4.06 Book Review. 4.10 Literature. 4.30 "Musica Viva" — Xenakis: 1. "Syrmos" for 18 Strings; 2. "Polytope," for 4 Orchestras in the audience (Conductor: Marius Constant); Aisina: "Consecuenza," opus 17 for Trombone (Vinko Globokar). 5.05 "Music for Sunday" — Pergolesi: "Stabat Mater" (Soloists: Mirella Freni and Teresa Berganza, Conductor: Ettore Gracis). 5.55 English News. 6.05 People and Figures. 6.25 In the Paths of Literature. 6.50 French News. 6.55 For the Farmer. 7.05 "Today." 7.25 Light Music. 7.50 Bible Reading: Yeshayahu, chap 55 and 56. 8.05 Film Review. 8.45 "From our Concert Halls" The Israel Philharmonic Orchestra — Mozart: Sinfonia Concertante for Oboe, Clarinet, Horn, Bassoon and Orchestra (1st movement) (Soloists: Eliyahu Torner, Richard Lesser, Meir Rimon and Mordechai Rechtman, Conductor: Paul Paray). 9.05 Mozart: Sinfonia Concertante (Cont.); Hindemith: Cello Concerto (1940) (Soloist: Janos Starker, Conductor: Peter Maag). 10.05 "Curtain Up." 11.05 "Tonight." 11.25 "Chamber Music" — Bloch: Quintet for Piano and Strings (Frank Glazer and the "Fine Arts" Quartet). 12.05 A Moment of Poetry. 12.08 Close Down. 2.00 Songs and Tunes. 5.05 Same as Second Programme.

SECOND PROGRAMME
457, 423, 256, 355 and 340.5 M.

5.05a.m. Songs and Tunes. 5.55 Religious Service. 6.05 Exercises. 6.16 Musical Clock. 6.55 Programme Announcements. 6.59 A Moment of Hebrew. 7.05 "This Morning." 7.35 "Hebrew Songs." 7.55 "Green Light." 8.05 Announcements. 8.11 "Good morning." 8.55 Names and Events in the Headlines. 9.05 Good Morning (cont.) 10.05 "Here at Home." 11.40 Where to go and light music. 12.05 Programme for the Worker and the Employer. 12.30 "Smile" — Songs and Sketches. 1.05 "At Midday." 1.35 Hebrew Songs. 2.05 This is Ehud Manor. 3.05 Popular Songs. 3.53 Encore — ed. by S. Rosen. 4.05 A Moment of Hebrew. 4.06 Foreign Hit Parade. 4.30 S. Rosen's Quiz. 4.45 Hit Parade (cont). 5.55 "Traffic Sign." 6.05 Hit Parade (cont.). 6.45 Today's Sport. 9.05 "Yesterdays" — with the singer Tova Piron. 10.05 "I like to Sing." 11.05 "Tonight." 11.25 Old Favourites. 1.05-3.00 Songs and Tunes.

ISRAEL TELEVISION

5.30 News. 5.32 The Brady Bunch. 6.00 Ot Ot. 8.00 Family Affair. 8.30 Mabat. 9.00 "The Saint." 9.50 What's New. 10.40 "Night Sounds — Jazz Festival. 11.30 News.

Educational: 7.50 Technology 9. 8.15 Geometry 9. 8.40 Literature 2-5. 9.05 English 5. 9.25 Citizenship 7. 10.00 English 9. 10.20 Science 6. 10.45 A Louer. 11.05 Algebra 9. 11.25 Geometry 5. 12.00 English 10. 1.00 Technical Drawing 9. 1.20 A game on Word 7-8. 1.40 Chess-Lesson 19. 4.00 "The Nail and the Pumpkin." 4.15 Chess Lesson 19. 4.35 A programme on Bach. 5.00 "Mother and Us."

Arabic: 6.30 News. 6.32 The Forest Rangers. 7.00 Hollywood and the Stars. 7.30 News.

FIFTH PROGRAMME
445 M.

6.58 Opening. 7.00 News. 7.25 Song and Melody. 8.00 News. 8.05 Song and Melody.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR
457, 423, 256, 249, 355 and 340.M.

7.00 p.m. News in easy Hebrew. Ivrit La'am 7.15 Georgian. 7.30 Yiddish. 8.00 Ladino. 8.15 Mograbi. 8.30 Rumanian. 8.45 Russian. 9.00 Close Down.

ENGLISH NEWS AND PROGRAMMES

7.00 a.m. (4th programme and short waves; 9.55 a.m. (1st programme); 1.30-2.00 p.m. (4th programme and short waves); (4th programme); 10.00-10.45 p.m. (short waves).

FRENCH NEWS AND PROGRAMMES

7.15 a.m. (4th programme and short waves); 10.55 a.m. (1st programme); 2.00-2.30 p.m. (4th programme and short waves); 6.50 p.m. (1st programme); 8.45-9.00 p.m. (4th programme); 12.00-1.00 a.m. (short waves).

1st Programme — 522, 256 and 221 M.
4th Programme — 293, 407 and 445 M.
3rd Programme (short waves)—16, 19, 31, 33, 41 and 48 M.

GALEI ZAHAL

6.05 a.m. Early Morning Tunes. 6.55 To Soldiers and their families. 7.05 Morning Tunes (cont.). 7.55 Programme Trailer. 8.05 Zahal's Newsreel. 8.30 Requests. 10.55 Uri Lela's Corner. 11.05 Warm and Tasty, — Greetings. 11.55 Shlomo Sheva's Corner. 12.05 Zahal's Newsreel. 12.20 Warm and Tasty. 1.30 "I'll never forget." 1.35 Warm and Tasty. 1.55 Announcements. 2.05 Entertainment — with Mani Peer and Revital Amit. 2.30 Quiz. 2.57 Programme Trailer. 3.05 Entertainment (cont.). 4.30 "Question for a Moment." 4.35 Entertainment (cont.). 5.05 Zahal's Newsreel. 4.50 Tunes for Everybody — greetings. 6.05 "Radiosport." 8.05 Hebrew Hit Parade. 10.05 Tonight with Uri Sela. 11.30 Midnight Talks. 12.05 Zahal's Newsreel. 12.30 "Night Birds" — with Uri Lotan and Pnina Bat-Zvi. 3.05 Tunes in the Night.

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Applications for the grant should include curriculum vitae (give full name in Latin characters, also), a detailed indication of the subject it is wished to study, and information on knowledge of foreign languages. Certificates and recommendations should be attached to the application. One of the recommendations should be from an employer or professor. Applications should be sent to the Manager for Foreign Relations, Ministry of Education and Culture, 34 Rehov Shivtai Yisrael, Jerusalem, not later than February 1, 1974.

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Weekly New York Stock Exchange Report

Marginal gains on Wall Street

NEW YORK (AP). — Prices on the New York stock market scored marginal gains this week as investors puzzled over U.S. economic prospects, hoped the Arabs would lift their oil embargo, and enviously watched gold shares gain further.

The widely-watched Dow Jones index of key industrial stocks advanced 3.92 points on the week to close at 859.39. Among other indicators the New York Stock Exchange's composite index of some 1,500 common stocks closed .50 higher at 51.66. Standard and Poor's 500-stock index was up 1.07 points at 96.63.

Trading volume for the week was 80.69m. shares, up slightly from the previous week. Although a drop in the prime interest rate helped the market, a major analyst said: There is still a general indecisiveness among the general investing public. Other analysts noted some nervousness.

Gold stocks continued to show strength as international monetary rates continued to show strains of high oil prices.

On the Big Board, 29 issues hit new highs with 62 reaching new lows. Advances outweighed declines 1,017 to 757, among 1,979 issues traded. Among the most active 25 stocks, 15 advanced and 9 declined with one remaining unchanged.

Volume leader was American Motors. AMC gained 2½ to 12 and at the week-end was reported negotiating with General Motors for the sale of some small engines to the auto giant.

On the American Exchange, where the market-value index was 1.32 higher at 96.88, mining stocks showed strength. Day Mines, second-most-active, gained 3⅞ to 17⅛ while Giant Yellowknife, up 3⅝ to 23½, and Campbell Chibougamau Mines, up 1¾ to 9¾, were busy also. Champion Homes was the volume leader, up ⅜ at 4⅝.

Among 1,290 issues traded on the Amex, 622 advanced and 561 declined with 207 unchanged. New yearly highs were 20, and 26 reached new lows.

Gahelet charges too much for insurance

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The "Gahelet" Savings Plan for Secondary and Higher Education persists on overcharging savers on the commission it collects for life insurance. This is stated in the State Comptroller's report for 1967-72 released today. The Comptroller declares that "a fund designed to supply a social need should not find it necessary to make a profit on its members' contributions; the overcharged amounts should be credited to savers' accounts," the report says.

The Comptroller had already criticized "Gahelet" on this point in his 1965 report. He said then that commissions that "Gahelet" gets from the insurance companies underwriting savers' lives should be sufficient to cover the expense involved in collecting premiums. He also found that "Gahelet" did not submit a reasoned breakdown of its accounts, explaining why it found it necessary to collect commissions from savers in addition to those it received from the insurance companies.

During the five year period surveyed by the report, "Gahelet" collected IL456,000 on account of insurance premiums totalling only IL226,000, which it handed to the companies. From these collections it deducted IL34,000, or 15 per cent, as a commission. "Gahelet" explained that the 15 per cent did not nearly cover the costs of collection and that it therefore charged the higher amount.

This was the only serious criticism the Comptroller reported.

The "Gahelet" plan was established jointly in 1961 by the Tel Aviv-Yafo Municipality, the local Teachers Union (Histadrut Hamorim) branch and Parents Councils. It offered savings plans to pay tuition fees for four years of secondary schooling (which became three years after grade nine became compulsory and free) and also for higher education. The latter plan is not restricted to residents of Tel Aviv-Yafo.

"Gahelet" invests all its capital in loans to the Tel Aviv-Yafo Municipality, to be used for development work and the building of educational and cultural institutions. These loans amount to a total of almost IL40m., including IL14m. in linkage differentials.

The fund's present obligation on account of future school fees for savers' children stands at IL29.5m.

Syndicate delegation has confidence in Israel diamonds

RAMAT GAN. — A delegation of executives of the Diamond Trading Company of London (Syndicate) which visited Israel this week declared that it was impressed by the firmness of the diamond industry here and the manner in which it had adjusted to conditions created by the war.

In meetings with representatives of the Israel Diamond Manufacturers Association it was agreed that in spite of the international economic and monetary difficulties, the world demand for polished diamonds of the type and size that are standard for the Israel industry, particularly melee's, has suffered less than other types and sizes of finished diamonds. This, it was noted, contributes to the Diamond Trading Company's confidence in the continued further development of the industry in Israel. These sentiments were contained in a joint statement issued by the D.T.C. delegation and the Israel Diamond Manufacturers Association following their meetings here this week.

The Diamond Trading Company (known as the "Syndicate" in the diamond trade), will continue its policy of support in accordance with the demands of world markets thereby maintaining a firm basis and guarantee of price stability for gem diamonds, it was stated here. According to Mr. Haim Danieli, director of the Israel Diamond Manufacturers Association, representatives of the Association submitted proposals for adjustments in the composition of Melee Boxes of rough stones received here in line with the current requirements of the market for polished diamonds.

Members of the Syndicate delegation are said to have indicated their sympathetic interest in these suggestions, and the Israeli diamond leaders expressed appreciation of the Syndicate's effective co-operation and understanding of the industry's special needs after the October war.

St. Peter's fish dearer; higher carp price asked

Jerusales Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The price of St. Peter's fish, (Amnon), which was reduced from IL9 to IL6 per kg. a month ago, will go up by one pound to IL7, retail, from this morning. The Fish Breeders Union decided on the rise on Friday, to cover increased costs of transport, handling, cold storage and the Tnuva commission, union secretary B. Ben-Aharon told *The Jerusalem Post*.

He said that since the price was reduced, to promote sales, demand had more than doubled, from 25 tons a week to nearly 60, "well in excess of what we expected."

The Amnon is a subtropical fish, whose natural habitat is Lake Kinneret. They breed with great success in the ponds, alongside carp, but they are susceptible to cold, and cannot survive water temperatures below nine degrees centigrade.

During the past fortnight's cold spell "a large number" of fish died in the ponds, especially in the Upper Galilee, Mr. Ben-Aharon said.

Various experiments to keep the ponds warm for them are under way, and Kibbutz Gan Shmuel has already managed to keep one pond, in which the fry for breeding are kept, at survival temperature, by covering it with a fibreglass roof and pumping in warmer water. At the Dror experimental station, tests are under way with a new type of double-layer plastic sheet, with air bubbles trapped between the layers as an insulator, spread over the ponds.

The union has meanwhile started negotiations with the Government for higher prices for carp, which sell at the controlled price of IL3.50 per kg., retail. The union will demand that the new price be based on approved cost calculations, and not on bargaining.

The Post learns that the Agriculture Ministry is supporting the union's demand that carp be removed from the cost-of-living index calculations and from price control. This would entail the cancellation or reduction of the subsidies, and might push their price up to as much as IL6 per kg.

Fishermen back at sea

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The country's fishermen, trawl and coastal, put to sea on Thursday night after the repeated storms died down, for the first time this month. The storms had forced them to stay in the shelter of the ports.

Fishermen's Union secretary Dov Schmiede said the winter storms are essential for the fisheries, as the rainwaters flowing into the sea bring along rich nourishment which attracts the fish.

True to prediction, the 50 coastal fishing boats, whose crews of two to three men fish the waters just off shore, returned on Friday with "excellent" catches of 200 to 300 kgs. each. The fish were "of high quality and good size." They will be brought to market today, and the men expect to make about IL2,000 per boat from the day's catch.

VISITORS GALLERY: MORTON MANDEL

120 community centres in a decade

By ERNIE MEYER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

There are 26 community centres in Israel today which receive support from JWB, the National Jewish Welfare Board of the U.S. By the middle of next year there should be 45 in development towns and city slum areas, and by the end of the decade their number is expected to reach 120.

These figures were reeled off in a business-like manner by Morton L. Mandel of Cleveland. He is now serving his second two-year term as president of JWB and has just dedicated a new centre in Kiryat Yam, to which he and his family contributed $200,000.

MANDEL

Mr. Mandel was interviewed last week at the dedication of his organization's new headquarters in Rehov Narkiss in Jerusalem. He headed a large group of board members and their wives, who had decided to hold that organizations' first board meeting in Israel at this time. (The board regularly meets every three months, usually at JWB headquarters in New York.)

The JWB was founded in 1916 to serve Jewish men serving in the U.S. Army; the idea of community centres did not develop until after World War I. To this day, however, JWB looks after the welfare of Jewish servicemen and is the official body through which Jewish chaplains are appointed to the U.S. Army.

The National Jewish Welfare Board is a roof organization which helps individual Jewish communities set up community centres and summer camps and later assists them with staffing and programming.

JWB started making its influence felt in Israel about eight years ago, when it contributed over $1m. to the new YM-YWHA in Jerusalem — and also supplied its first director. The centre was such a success that "the idea caught on like wildfire," Mr. Mandel says.

But the relationship between the JWB and Israel is a mutual one. Over 100 social workers and teachers supplied by the World Zionist Organization's Youth and Hehalutz Department have worked in some 50 U.S. communities over the past eight years. It is interesting that ten of these emissaries joined the staffs of community centres in Israel after their stints abroad, Mr. Mandel notes.

Other joint projects of the JWB and the World Zionist Organization include sending volunteers for a year's service to Israel (Sherut La'am), summer seminars for community centre executives in Israel, and summer ulpanim in Israel for U.S. youths.

Most of the community centres planned for Israel will be built under the auspices of the Israel Education Fund of the UJA, through the recently set-up Israel Corporation for Community Centres, Mr. Mandel says. (Community centres also receive support from the Welfare Ministry and local authorities.)

Asked about JWB's attitude towards immigration, Mr. Mandel said that in 1972 the orgnization went on record in favour of aliya, but that in fact the accent is left up to individual centres.

Mr. Mandel, 52, is board chairman and founder (in 1940, with his brothers) of the Premier Industrial Corporation of Cleveland, a public corporation with 14 divisions in fire-fighting, electronics and industrial maintenance products.

He estimates that he devotes about one-third of his working time to public affairs. "That work does more for me than I do for it," is the way he puts it.

For relaxation he walks, swims and rides a bicycle. "I've been cycling 15 to 20 kilometres a day for 20 years," he said.

Mr. Mandel is here with his wife, Barbara. The Mandels have two daughters and a son.

Who owns America?

Senators probe how banks control large companies

By ANTHONY SAMPSON
WASHINGTON (Ofns). —

WHO owns America? The old populist question nowadays refers less to the land and visible property of the United States than to the ownership of shares in the giant industrial corporations; and since the beginning of the century, when they were dominated by the "malefactors of great wealth" — led by John D. Rockefeller of Standard Oil — the answer to the question has been less obviously spectacular. For many of the shares in the major corporations are owned by anonymous-looking insurance companies, pension funds and banks representing thousands of smaller investors.

The question of ownership, many economists insist, has become much less relevant in the face of strong managements and fragmented shareholders. Yet the question still lingers, for however anonymous the shareholdings, there must be distinct individuals deciding where to invest. The difficulty for outsiders has been to make any sense of the names that appear on the lists of shareholders.

Last year two Senators, heading two sub-committees of the Senate's Committee on Government Operations, decided it was important to find out more about corporate ownership. Both of them are eccentric but outspoken men: Lee Metcalf of Montana and Edmund Muskie of Maine. Metcalf began his inquiry in the simplest possible way: he simply wrote to the heads of the 324 largest corporations in America, asking for the list of their 30 biggest stockholders and the size of their holdings.

Most of them declined, for reasons of confidentiality, but 89 of them did provide the facts asked for. Even those replies did not, at first sight, appear very promising, for the 30 biggest shareholders consisted mostly of "nominees" or "street names," which mean nothing to lay men, bleak little names like "Cudd and Co." "Pace and Co." "Carson and Co." and most often of all "Cede and Co." — all of them concealing somebody else.

MASSIVE COVER-UP

Senator Metcalf's staff, however, soon burrowed further, and sought out the key in a publication called the "Nominee List," published by the American Society of Corporate Secretaries. The list reveals that "Cudd and Co." means the Chase Manhattan Bank. "Pace and Co." means the Mellon National Bank. "Carson and Co." means the Morgan Guaranty Trust. As for the omnipresent "Cede and Co." (pronounced "seedy"), it is the nominee for the New York Stock Exchange, thus concealing a mass of brokerage firms which use its convenient alias.

The fact that the big banks thus disguised their holdings constituted, as the Senators complained, "a massive cover up of the extent to which holdings of stock have become concentrated in the hands of very few institutional investors, especially banks." And even though only a quarter of the companies had replied to Senator Metcalf, there was enough evidence from the replies to show that a few big banks owned much bigger chunks than had hitherto been supposed.

The results were published this month in a hefty 400-page volume of tables and statistics, interspersed with analysis and outspoken criticism. The tables showed a recurring pattern through most of the companies — the principal shareholders being five New York banks and one Boston one. Again and again the same banks — the Chase Manhattan, Morgan Guaranty and First National City — emerged as the top shareholders, together with the ubiquitous anonymous "Cede and Co."

Most striking of all is the ownership of two of the three TV networks. The biggest, CBS, has 38 per cent of its shares owned by 11 banks, led by the Chase Manhattan with 14 per cent, and the third biggest, ABC, has 34 per cent of its shares owned by eight banks, led by Bankers Trust (11 per cent) and Chase Manhattan (7 per cent). The disclosure of the very similar ownership of these rival broadcasters has a special relevance, for the control of TV companies is supposed to be carefully inspected and regulated by a Government agency, the Federal Communications Commission.

The individual shareholdings may not seem spectacular to the outsider, but with large numbers of small shareholders, a five per cent holding can carry a decision on the board. Congress usually regards 10 per cent as constituting control and according to a 1968 Congress report on commercial banks, "even one or two per cent of stock in a publicly-held corporation can gain tremendous influence over a company's policies and operations."

Throughout the big industrial companies, it is the New York banks that recur most often and one bank in particular: the Chase Manhattan. Its shareholdings among the 89 companies which replied to Senator Metcalf include 10.5 per cent of the biggest supermarket chain, Safeway; nine per cent of American Airlines, eight per cent of United Airlines and National Airlines; seven per cent of Northwest Airlines; nine per cent of the conglomerate Litton Industries; and between six and eight per cent of four railroad companies. The extensive holdings in companies were matched by suitable interlocking directorships. Thus the board of the Chase Manhattan includes the chairman of Atlantic Richfield (of which Chase owns 4.5 per cent), who is also a director of CBS (of which Chase owns 14 per cent).

And who controls this master-bank? Among the many shareholders of Chase Manhattan there is only one individual with as much as a one per cent holding: David Rockefeller, himself the chairman of the bank and the grandson of the original Rockefeller of Standard Oil. Thus in the middle of this corporate maze, we are back to the old dominating family.

BANKS MOVE SOFTLY

It would be a mistake to imagine Rockefeller, or other banks' boards, intervening crudely with companies where it has a big stake, like ABC or CBS, to enforce their viewpoints. Much of the banks' investment is in the form of trusts and the banks know that they cannot throw their weight about without inviting political trouble; indeed, many big investors profess their determination not to get mixed up in management.

Yet the great concentration of ownership by a very few banks, however aloof they may remain, cannot but influence the atmosphere of investment. In particular, there are accusations, brought out in Senator Metcalf's report, that the banks encourage a "two-tier market"; that is, they constantly overvalue the shares of the giant corporations and undervalue the smaller ones — causing among other things the smaller companies to become easy targets for take-over by bigger ones — particularly (they complain) by overseas companies.

A wider charge is that this small group of big investors has a quite disproportionate influence on decisions which effect public policy — including a whole range of foreign policy decisions — oil companies dealing with Middle East Governments, milling companies dealing with the Soviet Union, or utilities providing public service. In such decisions, it is argued by their Congressional critics, the big banks can provide a climate and a framework which reflects the interests of only a tiny and narrow community.

Senator Metcalf's reports makes it clear that this is only the beginning of their investigation, and that it will be followed by further questions, and by public hearings. The committee is in a strong position to insist on proper answers for many of the giant companies are, ostensibly at least, under the surveillance of one of the regulating agencies — the Federal Communications Commission, the Federal Power Commission, the Civil Aeronautics Board, etc — which are empowered, and supposed to obtain full details of their ownership.

How far Metcalf and his committee will succeed in uncovering the fuller facts about corporate ownership will depend greatly on the political climate. But in the current mood of scepticism about the social role of the giant companies — particularly the oil companies — it seems likely that the old question of who owns America will again stir up some political support.

In the Supreme Court Sitting as Court of Criminal Appeals

Before the President (Justice Agranat), Justices Landau and Kahn.

Avraham Shmueli, Appellant, v. State of Israel, Respondent (Cr.A. 61/73)

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POLICE OFFICER'S DERELICTION OF DUTY

The Supreme Court dismissed an appeal against a judgment of the Jerusalem District Court delivered on November 10, 1972 (in Cr.A.43/72)

The appellant, a police officer, was found guilty by the Jerusalem District Court of, amongst other things, allowing one, Sasson Cohen, to drive an unlicensed lorry under the policeman's control, while Cohen had no valid driving licence, contrary to sections 2 and 10(b) of the Traffic Ordinance; of procuring Sasson Cohen to drive the lorry in question while his disqualification from holding a driving-licence was still in force, contrary to section 67 of the Traffic Ordinance and section 23(1)(d) of the Criminal Code Ordinance; and of a breach of trust by a public officer.

Section 2 of the Traffic Ordinance (New Version) provides that: "A person shall not drive or permit another person to drive any vehicle of which such first-mentioned person has control unless a valid vehicle licence granted under this Ordinance, exists in respect thereof..."

Section 10(b) of the Ordinance lays down that the owner, or person having control of, any vehicle shall not permit it to be driven by a person who does not hold a valid driving licence.

The appellant was sentenced to six months' imprisonment and a fine of IL2,000 and was disqualified from holding a driving licence for 12 months. He appealed against his conviction and sentence to the Supreme Court.

Mr. S. Toussia-Cohen appeared for the appellant and Mrs. D. Bienish, Assistant State Attorney, for the State.

Judgment

The President, who delivered the judgment of the Supreme Court, first considered the appellant's argument that only the owner of a vehicle which has been driven without a valid licence may be charged under section 2 of the Traffic Ordinance. The wording of section 2, he held, makes it unambiguously clear that it is sufficient for an unlicensed vehicle to have been in the control of the person who permitted it to be driven, in order for that person to be guilty of the offence specified therein. Furthermore, continued the President, the appellant's argument that in accordance with English jurisprudence the criterion of ownership of the vehicle is the only valid one in finding a person liable for allowing another person to use a motor vehicle, is unfounded. For although it is true that in Lloyd v. Singleton (1953, 1 All E.R. 291) upon which the appellant's counsel had relied, the English court had held that in order to make a person liable for permitting another person to use a motor vehicle, the first person must be in a position to forbid the other to use the motor vehicle. Lord Goddard had added the reservation that the person in such a position could also be someone to whom the owner has entrusted the vehicle and who has the care, management and control of it. As, therefore, in the case under consideration, the unlicensed vehicle had been under the control of the appellant, it was the appellant, held the President, who had been in a position to forbid the use of the vehicle. He had, however, on the contrary, employed Cohen to drive the vehicle and was, therefore, guilty of the two offences of permitting a person to drive an unlicensed vehicle and of permitting the vehicle to be driven by a person who does not hold a valid driving licence.

The President then went on to consider the appellant's argument that in the case of the charge of procuring Cohen to drive the lorry in question while his disqualification from holding a driving lirence was still in force, the prosecution had not been entitled to a conviction on the basis of Cohen's sole evidence of the appellant's knowledge of his disqualification, as Cohen was a party to this offence and his evidence therefore needed corroboration.

He noted that in accordance with the doctrine of offenders, as laid down in section 23 of the Criminal Code Ordinance, the actual perpetrator of a criminal act, as well as the person who counsels or procures him to commit it, are principal offenders and equally guilty of the same offence. So that in the present case, the District Court had erred in holdig that the criminal conduct of a person who counsels or procures another to commit an offence constitutes a separate and independent offence. This was so despite the fact that section 23(2) of the Criminal Code lays down that a person accused of counselling or procuring the commission of an offence may be charged either with commiting the offence or with counselling and procuring its commission. For, continued the President, this latter provision is a purely procedural one and may not be interpreted as meaning that an accessory before the fact is deemed to have committed a special, independent offence. On the contrary, all it does is give the prosecution the procedural option of charging the counsellor or procurer with being the principal offender or with having counselled, or procured, the offence.

The result is, the President went on to point out, that the appellant and Cohen had actually been involved in the same offence and Cohen's evidence had, therefore, required corroboration. However, as there had been sufficient corroboration of Cohen's testimony in the remaining evidence the appellant had been rightly convicted of an offence against section 67 of the Traffic Ordinance.

In conclusion, the President dismissed the argument that the appellant should not have been found guilty of a breach of trust by a public officer, contrary to section 140 of the Criminal Code, as permitting Cohen to drive the lorry in question had not been "in the discharge of the duties of his office," within the meaning of that section. In accordance with the provisions of the Police Ordinance, he held, it is the duty of every police officer "to take due cognizance of the commission on any road or highway or in any public street, thoroughfare or place, of any offence," and it is irrelevant whether the place where the offence is committed comes within the prescribes of the area in which the police officer usually performs his police duties, or not. The appellant should, therefore, have prevented Cohen from driving without a valid licence, even though the latter had driven the lorry in question near Jericho and not in the Jerusalem area where the appellant had served as a police officer (see also section 3 of Emergency Regulations — Offences Committed in Israel-held Areas, 1967). The fact, therefore, that the appellant had not only prevented Cohen from doing so, but had procured him to drive without a licence, constituted a breach of trust on his part and he had rightly been found guilty of this offence.

Having held that the appeal against the conviction should be dismissed, the President concluded that as the appellant had exploited the powers vested in him by virtue of his police functions for his private ends and had thereby besmirched the police force, his punishment should give fit expression to the court's condemnation of his acts, and the sentence imposed by the court of lower instance should, therefore, be confirmed.

Judgment given on December 15, 1973.

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WITHDRAWAL

THE pull-back from Egypt has begun and there can be no doubt of the mixed feelings shared by the army and the public alike.

For the army, imbued with a spirit of forward movement, there is a special emotion in withdrawing, and withdrawing from territory taken with so much sacrifice and bravery. Yet the troops have also been aware from the start that the enclave in "Africa" was temporary, to be used either as an advantageous position in the event of renewed hostilities or as a negotiable resource in the event of talks. Moreover, they are well aware that the redeployment along the new lines of the disengagement agreement will enable a goodly portion of the reserves still in uniform to be released and return to their families.

Everyone, at home and on the front, understands the risks involved. They are easier to see than the prospects of an emerging settlement. Partly this is because there is nothing in the agreement which makes it self-guaranteeing. Egypt's real intentions will be put to the test only when Israel's withdrawal is complete. But partly this is also because the outcome of this war does not fit the expectations we have always held about the conditions which would make any kind of settlement possible. Those expectations were always based upon decisive Arab defeat — that out of the shambles of defeat some sort of Arab reconciliation would emerge.

Yet the Six Day War brought no such change in Cairo or elsewhere. It would be paradoxical, therefore, though not inexplicable, if the October War in which Egypt achieved initial military gains and was spared the humiliation of ultimate defeat, would lead to some kind of durable settlement. That, in any case, is the gamble we are taking.

It means disengagement not merely from Egypt's lines and from the Suez Canal, but disengagement from recourse to war. It is symbolized by the UN buffer and concretized in the fact that we shall no longer have the Suez Canal or the Canal cities within easy range of our guns, just in case. It means, in short, giving full and unhindered play to Egypt's stated readiness to restore normalcy and a state of peace to the entire Canal zone, and thus perhaps normalcy and a state of peace to Egypt as a whole.

Whether these hopes are reasonable will only become clear in the weeks and months ahead.

But it should also be clear, if these hopes prove unfounded, that the new lines provide the basis for suitable military deployment to ward off attack and wage war, if necessary, where Egypt has the most to lose.

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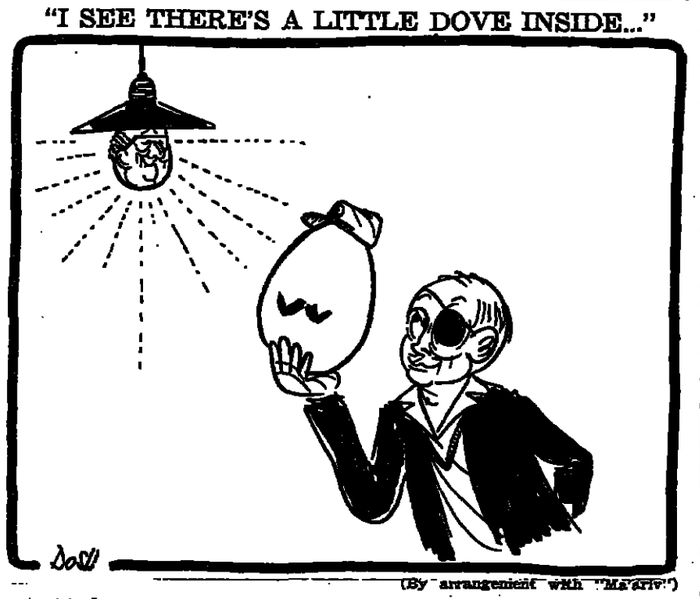

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NRP exploits the Alignment

Ha'aretz (non-party) says: "The NRP is exploiting the weakness of the Alignment to press its demand for Halachic conversion. Should the Alignment give in, it will bear responsibility for abrogation of one of the few tolerant pieces of legislation in the country. The Alignment leaders must realize that concession to the Orthodox would result in sharp opposition among the public, and that it would thus be advisable to set up a limited coalition, which on primary issues would be assured of a Knesset majority in any case. Such a limited coalition would surely be preferable to a continuation of the present arrangement, if its price is to be religious coercion."

Hatzofe (Nat'l Religious) says: "If the Alignment and the Likud could come to terms on the establishment of a national emergency government, and if there were a positive response to the religious community's demand to amend the Law of Return, a government coalition could be formed which had the support of the majority of the Jewish people. However, with the Alignment and the Likud not wanting to enter into partnership, and since the Alignment refuses to have the concept 'according to Halacha' appended to conversions, there does not seem to be any way out. The issue of Halachic conversion is an ultimative one for the National Religious Party's joining a coalition, since for the religious community this is a matter of credo on which there can be no compromise."

Davar (Histadrut) says that, in view of the large number of complaints received, much still remains to be improved in our public administration. The ombudsman's report confirms the correctness of the decision to combine the office of ombudsman with that of the state comptroller, which allows for general application of improvements suggested by individual complaints. Great importance also attaches to the other recommendations: That every public body appoint an ombudsman of its own to deal with complaints by the public; that far-reaching changes be introduced in the regulations regarding expropriation of private property; and that effective ways be instituted for dealing with public officials who fail at their task.

Al Hamishmar (Mapam) welcomes the goodwill manifested this week by both sides in the talks connected with the disengagement agreement. Though time alone will tell whether it will be implemented in full by the other side, the agreement enjoys the support of the majority of the people in Israel.

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Law of Return—not for fanatics either of the Left or the Right

By MOSHE KOHN

EVER since the political constellation resulting from the December 31 Knesset elections became clear, the "Who is a Jew?" issue has again been central in the coalition bargaining.

The issue concerns the definition of a Jew for the purposes of the Law of Return. Originally, the Law spoke merely of "Jew." In 1968, in the wake of the Shalit case, the Law was amended to specify "...born of a Jewish mother or converted to Judaism." Now the National Religious Party is again insisting on a further amendment to include a clause — which it reluctantly waived the last time — stipulating "converted according to Halacha (Jewish religious law)."

The promulgation of the Law of Return, shortly after the establishment of the State, was considered almost unanimously — by religious and secular Jews alike — a historic event. Its purpose was not to exclude anyone — I doubt whether that occurred to anyone at the time — but to declare to all the world that, after 19 centuries of national homelessness and lack of sovereignty, the Jews at last were sovereign in their own homeland and all Jews were free to enter this home and automatically acquire citizenship in it — with the attendant duties and privileges — by virtue of the mere act of entering.

At that time, a bare 25 years ago, there was a near-universal consensus among Jews as to who is a Jew. The definition, based on Halacha and sanctified by many generations of popular usage and consensus, was that a Jew was one whose mother was a Jewess or who had been converted to Judaism by Halachically authorized persons and according to Halachically prescribed procedure. People who, as a result of acts of their parents or of their own acts, did not meet these Halachic standards — the standards of many generations of what a non-Jewish scholar designated as "normative Judaism" — knew, as did the community, that they were excluded from Jewry, and knew that if they wished to be accepted as Jews, they had to take certain steps prescribed by the Halachic norms.

To 'feel' Jewish is not enough

Those few who refused to do so in protest — not because they did not care, but because they wished the Jewish community to relax the norms — knew that they were performing a premature act of "universalism." They knew that until they succeeded in getting the norms changed — not merely by Rabbinic fiat but primarily in the general consensus — they would not be considered fully fledged members of the Jewish fold. And a non-Jew who wished to be considered a Jew knew that it was not enough for him to "feel" Jewish, but that there were certain procedures to be undergone — certain prescribed study, plus ritual circumcision and ritual immersion in the case of men and ritual immersion in the case of women — before he became a Jew.

Ironically, it is only as Jewish society in the newly sovereign Jewish State has been consolidating itself that "Who is a Jew?" has become the kind of burning political issue it has. There are many reasons for this, all of them, I think, boiling down to the transplantation here of Diaspora religious debates, with the conflicting positions, however, hardened into political positions embodied in political parties seeking votes, parliamentary and cabinet seats, power. Thus, if a member of a non-Orthodox, certainly of a so-called secularist, party dares to suggest that the traditional norms ought to remain though not written into the laws of the secular state and that our Rabbinical authorities should rationalize the procedures, and even find a place in the procedures for norm-abiding non-Orthodox rabbis in Israel and the Diaspora, he is attacked from both sides: on the one hand, he is a "traitor" to libertarian principles, etc.; on the other hand, he is out to subvert the Torah, etc.

For a member of any Israeli political party or any clearly delineated religious camp publicly to advocate a position that does not coincide with his group's current slogans is to invite political death and even the lynching of his good name. It has become the better part of political and personal prudence to take publicly, and act in accordance with, extreme positions. That, as a result, innocent, well-intentioned people suffer is of secondary concern.

If not for this, nothing would be simpler than to rationalize the conversion process. And it would be relatively simple to find a place in the whole procedure for rabbis of any denomination who consider themselves first and foremost Jewish religious leaders rather than revolutionary reformers.

Rationalizing conversion procedures would involve mainly removing from Rabbinical Court operations many features that plague our civic life generally in the relations between the bureaucracy and the citizenry — at the Rabbinate, at the Absorption Ministry, at the Communications Ministry's Telephone Division — and between merchant and customer, artisan or lawyer and client, sickfund or hospital and patient.

Rabbinical Courts also need streamlining

As to non-Orthodox rabbis and Halachic norms: First of all, there are Conservative and even Reform rabbis who live Halachically and advocate strict adherence to Halachic procedure in matters of personal status. There are even some Conservative rabbis in Israel who are authorized by the Rabbinate to officiate at weddings, and some in the Diaspora whose signature on a marriage, divorce or conversion certificate is accepted by the Israel Rabbinate. On the other hand, there are Orthodox rabbis in Israel and the Diaspora who may not officiate here and whose signature is not acceptable. Or there are instances where a Diaspora Orthodox rabbi's signature is accepted, say, by the Haifa Rabbinate, where someone knows him, but not by the Safad Rabbinate, where he is not known.

Let Israel's Chief Rabbinate lay down procedures for the recognition of "Halachic Rabbis" all over the world and procedures which these rabbis will be expected and assumed to follow in all matters requiring recognition by the Israel Rabbinate. Let it then publish an official register of recognized rabbis which will be binding on all rabbinical courts and offices in Israel that function under the auspices of, and by the powers vested in them by, the Chief Rabbinate.

Non-Orthodox rabbis who are not prepared to accept or work by Orthodox Halachic norms could be given an honourable place in the entire procedure. An understanding could be reached with them whereby the non-Halachic rabbi would remain the confidante and guide of people coming to him for marriage, divorce or conversion.

This rabbi would, however, inform his clients that he does not operate by the Halachic norms, and that his signature alone on the certificate would not guarantee recognition of the marriage, divorce or conversion as far as the normative Jewish community is concerned — neither in Israel, where most of the normative is also written into the "secular" civil code, nor in the Diaspora. He would tell them that this may later result in disabilities for them or for any of their immediate descendants if they later decide to settle in Israel, marry a Jew who lives by the Halachic norms, or otherwise join the normative Jewish community.

If this concerns them, but they nevertheless wish to continue the process under his guidance, he would instruct them as to the norms. At the critical stage, where the rites are to be performed and certificates to be signed, this rabbi would — by prior arrangement — convene the necessary tribunal of Halachic rabbis to execute, witness and undersign the critical steps. He would be a member of, but would not preside over, this tribunal; he would sign the certificate, but it would also be signed by the required number of Halachic rabbis for it to be recognized by their colleagues everywhere.

With good-will on all sides, with an intelligent sense of the exigencies and priorities of Jewish life today generally and of life in Israel particularly, the "Who is a Jew?" problem can be solved to the satisfaction of all normal normative Jews. Of course, there are the "rednecks" of the Right: those for whom nobody is kosher enough but themselves — and of the Left: those who will, as it were, not take any food in a *kasher* restaurant but a hard-boiled egg and a glass of cold water. But we have always had to live with these.

Conversion problem could yield to good will

If the good-will and common sense I have tried to outline above prevailed, the Law of Return would be implemented normatively without any amendments. In fact, it would then be possible to amend it so as to restore it to its original formulation as a festive declaration of the restoration of the sovereign Jewish national home with its gates freely open to all Jews.

On the other hand, without the good-will, common-sense restoration of the consensus — or until a new consensus is arrived at — no amount of legislation will preserve the integrity and unity of the Jewish People. Quite the contrary — it will only exacerbate the existing ill-feelings and widen the existing divisions. There are times when, the Talmud lays down, the authorities should not promulgate laws and regulations by which the public will not abide. One interpretation of this is that there are times when things are better left unwritten. The Talmud also declares in another place that "It is time to act for God, for Thy Torah has been violated" — which one Sage interprets to mean that there are times when an aspect of the Torah is to be violated in order to save the Torah as a whole. I suggest a contemporary interpretation of this which applies to all sides to the "Who is a Jew?" dispute — Israel's Rabbinate bodies, the Diaspora Orthodox rabbinical bodies, and all the non-Orthodox rabbinical bodies everywhere.

One immediate logical outcome of all this should be the elimination of the "Le'om — Nationality" entry from the Identity Booklet issued by the Interior Ministry and which all Israelis over the age of 18 are required by law to carry. This entry is the only one pertaining to the bearer's nationality; there is no entry for citizenship. In this entry people declaring themselves or presumed to be Jews are so registered. Others are registered as "Arab" (making the Israel Interior Ministry a powerful bastion of Pan-Arabism) or "French," etc. — the latter not being exactly the same as registering people as "Jew" or "Arab." Since our Rabbinical bodies in any case do not rely on the Identity Booklet concerning a client's Jewishness but require him to produce his mother's *ketuba* (Jewish religious marriage certificate) or certain other prescribed forms of proof and since the Jewish Agency and Absorption Ministry have their own ways of deciding who is eligible for *aliya* and absorption "rights" under the Law of Return, I don't know what purpose the "Le'om" entry serves. Let it be eliminated. So far it has been mainly a cause of trouble — trouble that our society does not need.

Readers' letters

More on Israel's information service

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Some months ago you kindly gave me space to place before your readers some facts on the serious shortcomings of the information services working on behalf of Israel here in Great Britain (and indeed everywhere it would seem). That was before the Yom Kippur attack on Israel and one would have thought that the dark deed of October 6 would increase public sympathy for Israel, and increase, certainly, the sense of dynamic of the paid officials working for the Israeli causes on the information front.

Your editorial, "Echoes of 1967" (November 23), in fact reveals exactly the opposite. As you stated: "Much of the world, and apparently many Israelis, have fallen victims to the excellent Egyptian propaganda line that all they seek is their rights, their land, the areas they lost in the war of 1967."

And as Ephraim Kishon wrote in your issue of November 28, "It (the Israeli public) can't grasp why, when right is so obviously on their side, the whole world is against it." He goes on to add a propos the workings of the information departments involved: "We get the feeling that this department just doesn't exist."

It is — unfortunately — not surprising to read comments such as these, as virtually nothing has appeared in the British press (for example) from those working (or supposedly working) on behalf of the Israel and Zionist movement to put over the real nature of Arab designs against Israel and the need — and the right — for Israel to hold on to borders which satisfy her essential minimal strategic requirements.

So much has in fact emanated from the Arab propaganda services, and so little from our side that many among the influential public actually believe that all that Egypt and Syria were concerned with in launching their attack on Israel on Yom Kippur was to "regain their lost lands." These are views held by many even among our own people, and its effect on *people who count* can be best gauged by the fact that 70 Labour M.P.s (i.e. people motivated by concepts of social justice) abstained from voting against the Heath Government on the arms issue in a recent House of Commons debate. (A further 15 pro-Arab "hardliners" voted with the Government). And even the official Labour Speaker, Lord Kennet, took an extreme pro-Arab line when opening the debate in the House of Lords a fortnight ago on the energy crisis.

Another indication of the pro-Arab line taken by thinking and influential people lies in the results of an Oxford Union debate last summer when 211 of those present voted against a violently anti-Israel motion whilst 142 voted in favour of it.

In order to convince the interested public that all is well on the information public opinion front, official circles here in Great Britain bombard us with Gallup Poll statistics which show a majority of people supporting Israel. Significantly even these have dropped in recent months, but in any case, such figures are meaningless in that they are based by and large on what the man-in-the-street is thinking whereas the prime object in any public relations exercise concerned with affairs, is, of course, to influence the opinion makers, the people who count and those whose vociferous and articulate voice is listened to.

Arab propaganda myths began with the Arab refugees, continued through Suez and the Six Day War and now have won the supreme medal in convincing a significant element of the public that the Egyptians and Syrians were entitled to take their actions of October 6. All this, needless to say, has had, and indeed must have, the most unfortunate consequences for Israel, and from every point of view. And all this has largely been due to the fact that the information "machine" has carried on just as it has done in the past, i.e. in a laissez faire, dilatory and amateurish spirit.

I refuse to believe however that the concerned Jewish world is really prepared to tolerate this appalling state of affairs. There have in fact been many grumblings on this matter here in Great Britain — but little or no action. But many among the officers of the Zionist movement (and other bodies involved with the Israeli scene) are hard-headed business people who in their business lives demand — and get — results. Many of these undoubtedly are among your readers and I would earnestly appeal to them to take a hard (and urgent) look at the abysmal performance of the public relations departments concerned with putting over the Zionist and Israeli case.

I would also think that many of those officially involved in Jerusalem with directing Zionist affairs abroad are among you readers and I would appeal to them too to take part in eradicating the smugness and ineptitude which riddle the official bodies — and at all levels — concerned with advancing the good name of our people in the Jewish National Homeland.

MORRIS DRIVER

London, December 29.

The Israel Embassy in London replies:

Your correspondent seems to be confusing hope with fact. To dream that, in any country, one can prevent any expression of pro-Arab sentiment whatsoever, is unrealistic. We in the Information Department have different criteria: how many people, in any target group, are pro-Arab, how many pro-Israel, and what can be done to maintain and improve our so-far undisputed majority in all important groups. In this, we must go by results.

Your reader is dismayed that 142 students voted for an anti-Israeli motion. He may not know that Miss Herlitz, now an M.K., travelled 2,000 miles to Oxford and, at the instigation of this office, met with students to ensure the defeat of the motion. Result: 142 pro-Arab votes, 211 votes supporting Israel. Motion defeated. Is this a set-back to the Israeli cause?

Similarly, he deplores the abstention of Labour pacifists in the arms debate on October 18, but does not even take note of the 60 Conservatives who supported Israel. The British Government imposed a two-line whip on its supporters, while the opposition allowed a free vote. Nevertheless 17 Tory M.P.s felt strongly enough to vote against the Government, and at least another 40 abstained. The implication in Mr. Driver's letter is that M.P.s were not given the benefit of hearing Israel's case. Yet the Ambassador and members of the staff spoke to many M.P.s at the Conservative Party Conference (where our presence during the first week of war was expressly appreciated). In addition, our Ambassador and I met personally with more than 100 M.P.s shortly before the debate, and when I entered the House of Commons to listen to the debate, I had to thread my way through an enormous crowd, apparently entirely pro-Israel, who had appointments to see their M.P.s. According to the Anglo-Jewish press, they were there at the behest of the same Zionist leadership which Mr. Driver believes was inactive.

Your correspondent's comments on the British Press show a similar lack of reaction to the favourable coverage which characterised most newspapers. Apparently, Mr. Driver was too overcome by the occasional hostile article to notice.

Perhaps the crux of the matter is expressed by Mr. Driver when he says that most Zionist leaders are "hard-headed businessmen who demand results in their business activities." They do indeed, but they do not demand that customers should not enter other shops, and accept the fact that some inevitably will. The same is true of information services; there will always be some customers for the other side. Those who support the Arab case are few, between five and seven per cent; support for Israel is about seven times greater than that, and is far greater now than before the Yom Kippur War. This may be only partly the result of pro-Israel information activities, but it should at least allow us to view the activities of Arab propaganda in perspective.

Israel is not a country of endless resources. Inevitably, we rely on friendly groups and individuals to help us in our task; inevitably we concentrate on target-groups which we consider opinion-making rather than on every man in the street. This policy has so far paid well.

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London, January 20.

Israel and the Diaspora

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I recently placed an advertisement in *The Jerusalem Post* which ran on Israel's election day. The advertisement stated my view as an American Jew that victory for Begin's policies would lead to alienation of non-Jewish and Jewish Americans; that if such policies were implemented, there would be a substantial reduction in the support of American Jews; and that it was fantasy to believe that Israel can stand all alone (with world Jewry). I have received a number of letters in reply: one letter thanked me for the advertisement; the rest ranged from a spirited disagreement which in places became personal, to admonitions to keep my opinions to myself until and unless I settled in Israel, to outright ugly and (in my opinion) nearly pathological attacks. I would appreciate the opportunity to set forth in more detail the points I was trying to make and the attitude from which they arose.

First, on the question of my "right" to express an opinion about Israeli policy matters without first settling in Israel, it is obvious that only Israeli citizens have the right (indeed, the power) to choose and form the Israeli Government and Israeli policies. Still, it appears to me also obvious that intelligent Israelis will, in forming their government and policies, wish to consider the views (and advice, if you will) of those from whom they are receiving a large measure of well-intentioned, needed support, and who, as Jews, have a considerable stake themselves in Israel's future.

Certainly, the proponents of Begin's policies could not, on the one hand, claim, as they do, that Israel can stand all alone with the support of world Jewry and, on the other hand, tell world Jewry outside of Israel to keep their views to themselves. Not only would such a declaration be crude and insulting, but it would violate all the principles of psychology of which I am aware. People who are told in no uncertain terms to keep their mouths shut usually don't end up feeling very friendly.

While I have opinions about such important matters as, for example, the relationship in Israel between the State and religious authorities or the need for more private enterprise in the economy, these opinions would not propel me to go to the extent of, for example, taking out an advertisement, since the matters at issue, while important, are not, it seems to me, fundamentally crucial at this time, and, further, they are in substantial degree largely domestic in content; however, the factors presently involved are as structural and so crucial that publicly advising Israelis of an American viewpoint was, I believe, very much in order.

My second point is that it is fantasy to believe that Israel can stand all alone. As above noted, even Begin's policies acknowledge the need for the support of Jews outside Israel. The point, of course, is that Israel, with world Jewry together, cannot match the supply of Soviet arms and the force of Soviet power. Only America can do that. That gives America no right to dictate to Israel, but it is also true that Israel cannot afford to shut its ears to America. Israel under its present Government has not, of course, done so.

My final argument with Begin's policies has to do with the Eretz Yisrael programme. It would, of course, be very nice to have all of Biblical Eretz Yisrael; the only problem is that there are about one million Arabs in the occupied West Bank. What sort of Jewish State would there be with such a large minority of Arabs? Either Israel would end up as a 60-65 per cent Jewish State, so to speak, or else there would have to be considerable suppression of Arab rights and culture. Israel enlists the enthusiasm of American Jews because, of course, it is a Jewish State and because it is democratic. Substantial dilution of either of these factors, it seems clear to me, would also substantially dilute that enthusiasm.

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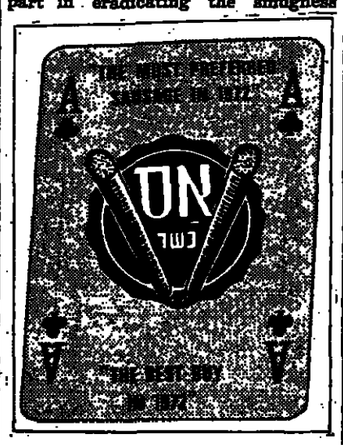

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